

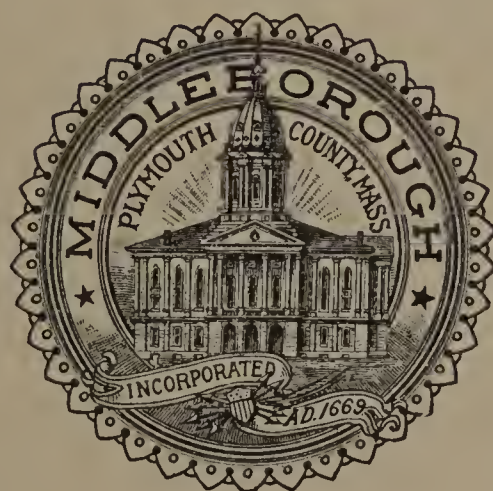
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF
MIDDLEBORO
MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

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Middleboro, Mass.



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SANDERSON BROTHERS
NORTH ABINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

MIDDLEBOROUGH

"HEAD-O'-THE-CAPE"

Elevation—100 feet above sea level

Settled—1660

Incorporated as a town—1669

Population 1935 census—8865

Valuation—\$7,880,165

(exclusive of Automobiles)

Municipally owned—water, gas, electric light plants

Tax rate—\$35.40 per thousand

Area—68.1 square miles

Miles of street—146

Motorized Fire Department

Well equipped Hospital

Schools in Class A

Principal Industries

Fire Apparatus

Shoes

Brass Goods

and thirty other products

The center of the cranberry industry

Varnishes

Drug Sundries

Caskets

Located

35 miles from Boston

22 miles from New Bedford

30 miles from Providence, R. I.

Railroad Center

Direct rail connections with

Fall River

New Bedford

Taunton

Providence

Provincetown

Brockton

Boston

New York

TOWN OFFICERS, 1938

Board of Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

Lewis F. Harding, Chairman	Term expires 1939
Charles S. Carver	Term expires 1939
James F. Shurtleff	Term expires 1940
Charles V. Giberti	Term expires 1941
Romeo Millette	Term expires 1941

Town Manager

Harry J. Goodale, Resigned Oct. 1, 1938
Edward C. Peterson, Appointed Oct. 1, 1938

Moderator

Fletcher Clark, Jr.	Term expires 1939
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Town Clerk and Town Accountant

Waldo S. Thomas	Term expires 1939
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Treasurer and Collector

Chester L. Shaw	Term expires 1940
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Town Counsel

Luke F. Kelley	Term expires 1939
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School Committee

Fred B. Alger, Chairman	Term expires 1939
Lorenzo Wood	Term expires 1939
Priscilla S. Alger	Term expires 1940
Alfred R. Mack	Term expires 1940
Forest E. Thomas	Term expires 1941
L. Francis Callan	Term expires 1941

Superintendent of Schools

J. Stearns Cushing

Assessors

Benjamin C. Shaw, Chairman	Term expires 1939
Fred F. Churbuck	Term expires 1940
Harrison F. Shurtleff	Term expires 1941

Members of the Planning Board

Russell A. Trufant, Chairman	Term expires 1939
Abner H. Smith	Term expires 1940
William D. Church	Term expires 1941
William C. Barden	Term expires 1942
Enid S. Crosier	Term expires 1943

Finance Committee

Anatole Bourgeois	Term expires 1939
John V. Gallagher	Term expires 1939
Albert W. Charbonneau, Chairman	Term expires 1940
Charles V. Giberti (Resigned, Jan. 17, 1938)	Term expires 1940
John R. Thompson	Term expires 1940

Frederick J. Stuart	Term expires 1941
Bertram L. Thomas	Term expires 1941
Albert A. Thomas (appointed for balance of year)	

Registrars of Voters

William P. Scanlon, Chairman	Term expires 1939
Sarah A. Sheehy	Term expires 1940
Leslie M. Woodward	Term expires 1941

Trustees of the Public Library

Grace H. Noble	Term expires 1939
Thomas H. Kelley	Term expires 1939
H. Jane Bennett	Term expires 1939
Allan R. Thatcher	Term expires 1940
Marion K. Pratt	Term expires 1940
Theodore N. Wood, President	Term expires 1940
Walter L. Beals	Term expires 1941
Leonard O. Tillson	Term expires 1941
Lucretia D. C. Harding	Term expires 1941

Bureau of Old Age Assistance

William C. Kilpatrick	Romeo Millette
Frederick H. Noble	

Park Commissioners

Arthur D. Benson	Michael J. Barrett
Lorenzo Wood	Charles S. Carver
William Blanchette	J. Stearns Cushing, ex-officio

Chief of the Fire Department

Fred M. Ryder

Superintendent Gas and Electric Department

George A. Philbrook

Health Officer

John M. Callan

Superintendent of Streets

Paul F. Anderson

Constables

Harry S. Allen	Robert E. Hewitt
Alfred M. Butler	Alden C. Sisson
J. Adrien Bissonnette	

Tree Warden

Louis Forney

Forest Warden

Fred M. Ryder

Moth Superintendent

Louis Forney

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Ivan P. Shaw

Inspector of Animals

Bertram N. Cameron

Inspector of Slaughtering

Bertram N. Cameron

Inspector of Wires

Amedeo J. Giberti

Inspector of Plumbing

John J. Pearson

Dog Officer

Robert E. Hewitt

Burial Agent

Luke F. Kellèy

Keeper of Lockup

Alden C. Sisson

Field Driver and Pound Keeper

Alden C. Sisson

Inspector of Milk

Bertram N. Cameron

APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE SELECTMEN AS OF MARCH 1st, 1938

Office	Name	Term Expires
Registrar of Voters	Leslie M. Woodward	April 1, 1941
Trustee of Public Library	Walter L. Beals	March 1, 1941
	Leonard O. Tillson	March 1, 1941
	Lucretia D. C. Harding	March 1, 1941
	Louis Forney	March 1, 1939
Tree Warden	Luke F. Kelley	March 1, 1939
Burial Agent	Robert E. Hewitt	May 1, 1939
Dog Officer	Bertram N. Cameron	April 1, 1939
Inspector of Slaughtering	Amedeo Giberti	March 1, 1939
Inspector of Wires		
Sealer of Weights &		
Measures	Ivan P. Shaw	March 1, 1939
Town Counsel	Luke F. Kelley	March 1, 1939
Keeper of Lockup	Alden C. Sisson	March 1, 1939
Field Driver and Pound		
Keeper	Alden C. Sisson	March 1, 1939
Fence Viewer	Frederick S. Weston	March 1, 1939
	Frank S. Thomas	March 1, 1939
	Ernest S. Pratt	March 1, 1939

Office	Name	Term Expires
Constable	Alden C. Sisson	March 1, 1939
	Alfred M. Butler	March 1, 1939
	Robert Hewitt	March 1, 1939
	Harry E. Allen	March 1, 1939
	J. Adrien Bissonnette	March 1, 1939
Inspector of Milk	Bertram N. Cameron	March 1, 1939
Inspector of Animals	Bertram N. Cameron	April 1, 1939
Park Commissioners	Arthur D. Benson	Feb. 1, 1939
	Lorenzo Wood	Feb. 1, 1939
	William Blanchette	Feb. 1, 1939
	Michael J. Barrett	Feb. 1, 1939
	Charles S. Carver	Feb. 1, 1939
	J. Stearns Cushing	Feb. 1, 1939

Public Weigher

Melville D. Wilbur	Newell Briggs
Garret E. Whitty	Edwin F. Shaw
Elliot H. Perkins	Ernest S. Pratt
George F. Keyes	Lura A. Bradford
John E. McManus	Paul E. Gamache
Albert F. Soule	John R. Dutra
William E. Gardner	Charles Ruhmpohl
Lewis F. Harding	Lawrence H. Thomas
Annie Place	Ralph D. Kelley
Ivan B. Sparrow	Vernon Briggs
Louis C. Littlejohn	Alden C. Sisson
Robert A. Clark	William F. Fickert
Leah Fabbri	Lewis Garney
Howard T. Lincoln	Leon Corsini
William Briggs	Nellie A. Kelley
George A. Donner	Gordon DeMoranville
Crispi Falconieri	Edward J. Willette
Leslie Gates	Ernest Remillard

Measurer of Wood, Bark and Lumber

William G. Wilcox	N. S. Cushing, Jr.
Charles S. Bassett, Jr.	Benjamin C. Shaw
Ernest S. Pratt	Harrison F. Shurtleff
Sheldon L. Phinney	Frederick S. Weston
Russell B. Tripp	Henry W. Sears, Jr.
Ernest L. Standish	Charles N. Warren
Herbert E. Dodge	Forest S. Churbuck
Leo A. Quindley	Frank S. Thomas
Gilbert M. Simmons	Levi O. Atwood
Albert Deane	

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

For the Year Ending December 31, 1938

Record for the annual Town Meeting January 17th, 1938, with its adjournments.

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers, the following officers to be voted on one ballot, viz: a Moderator for one year, a Town Treasurer and Collector of taxes for two years, two Selectmen for three years, two

members of the School Board for three years, one member of the Planning Board for five years, one member of the Board of Assessors for three years, two members of the Finance Committee for three years.

Meeting called to order by Moderator Clark in Precinct 2, by Bert J. Allan in Precinct 1 and by Harlas L. Cushman in Precinct 3.

Voted that the polls be open at 11 o'clock and remain open until 8 o'clock P.M.

The following Election Officers were sworn in:—

Precinct 1:—Bert J. Allan, William Lewis, Stella R. Fickert, Harold M. Pratt, Maurice J. Guerin, Robert C. West, Ethel Williamson, Leila M. Allan, Inez Chandler, and James Brooks.

Precinct 2:—Frank Diotte, Harold S. Thomas, August St. Amand, Esther Robidoux, Ralph Maddigan, Elwyn B. Lynde, John Callan, Frank Thomas, Louis Cole, and Mabel Sears.

Precinct 3:—Harlas L. Cushman, James M. Faulkner, Susan B. Brackett, Leslie M. Woodward, Ellen C. Gallagher, William E. Tierney, and Richmond Matthews.

The result of the vote was as follows:—

	Prct. 1	Prct. 3	Prct. 2	Total
Moderator				
Fletcher Clark, Jr.	136	194	1670	2000
Blanks	27	60	484	571
Treasurer and Collector				
Chester L. Shaw	136	199	1708	2043
Blanks	27	55	446	528
Assessors				
James E. Houlihan	30	49	798	877
Herbert C. Perkins	10	9	140	159
Sheldon L. Phinney	37	36	323	396
Harrison F. Shurtleff	72	135	728	935
Blanks	14	25	165	204
Selectmen				
Charles V. Giberti	89	116	1087	1292
John H. Hall	43	88	764	895
Romeo Millette	112	140	1131	1383
A. Vincent Smith	55	132	1099	1286
Blanks	27	32	227	286
Planning Board				
Enid S. Crosier	120	169	1309	1598
Blanks	43	85	845	973
Finance Committee				
Frederick Ivan Stuart	79	138	1014	1231
Bertram L. Thomas	121	168	1364	1653
William G. L. Jacobs	.....	.....	1	1
Arthur Thompson	.....	.....	1	1
Edward J. Farley	.....	.....	1	1
Walter G. Eayrs	.....	.....	1	1
Blanks	126	202	1926	2254
School Committee				
L. Francis Callan	105	156	1589	1850
Frederick W. daCosta	33	58	664	755
Forest E. Thomas	125	178	1189	1492
Blanks	63	116	866	1045
Total Number of votes cast	163	254	2154	2571

The result of the vote was announced in precinct 1 at 8:45 P.M., in precinct 2 at 12:30 A.M. and in precinct 3 at 9:30 P.M.

A re-count was made by the Board of Registrars on January 24th, 1938, of the votes cast for Selectmen. The result of re-count is as follows:—

Selectmen	Prct. 1	Prct. 2	Prct. 3	Total
Charles V. Giberti	89	1091	116	1296
John H. Hall	44	767	86	897
Romeo Millette	113	1130	141	1384
A. Vincent Smith	54	1095	131	1280
Blanks	26	225	34	285

Article 2. To raise such sums of money by tax or otherwise, as may be necessary to defray the expense of the Town for the current year, appropriate the same and to act on anything in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes for the year.

Voted the following appropriation:—

Moderator — Salary	\$	25.00
Selectmen — Transportation		15.00
All Other		835.00
Town Manager — Salary	\$4,500.00	
Clerks Salary	750.00	
		5,250.00
Transportation		320.00
All Other		200.00
Town Clerk and Accountant Salary		2,402.00
Clerk's Salary		625.00
Equipment		80.50
All Other		60.00
Town Treasurer and Collector Salary		2,500.00
Asst. Coll. Salary	\$1,200.00	
Clerk's Salary	948.00	
Deputy Coll. Salary	300.00	
		2,448.00
Deputy Coll. Transp.		175.00
All Others		1,804.04
Assessors — Salary of Chairman		700.00
two @ \$550.00 each		1,100.00
Salary Clerk		1,040.00
Transportation		160.00
All Others		320.00
Planning Board Exp.		10.00
Law Dept. Salary		600.00
Election and Registration		
Registrar's Salary		300.00
Election Officers Wages		540.00
All Other		285.00
Town Hall Salary Agent and Janitor		1,456.00
Salary Vacation		35.00
All Others		2,750.00
Police Department		
Salary Chief		2,400.00
Salaries All Other		10,036.00
Transportation		350.00
Equipment		150.00
All Other		1,170.85

Fire Department		
Salary Chief	2,320.76	
Salaries and Wages Others	20,270.16	
Equipment	675.00	
Hydrant Rental	2,050.00	
All Other	2,013.66	
Inspector of Wiring		
Salary Inspector	400.00	
Transportation	62.40	
All Other	25.00	
Sealer Weights and Measures		
Salary	713.25	
Transportation	160.00	
All Other	52.00	
Moth Department		
Wages	2,500.00	
All Other	1,470.00	
Trimming Trees		
Wages	100.00	
Transportation	15.00	
All Other	35.00	
Forest Fires		
Wages	500.00	
Transportation	20.00	
All Other	55.00	
Dog Officer		
Salary	250.00	
All Other	30.00	
Health Department		
Salaries	3,300.00	
Wages	5,272.40	
Transportation	400.00	
All Other	7,640.98	
Highway Department		
Salary Superintendent	2,200.00	
Wages	16,150.00	
Street Lighting	6,000.00	
Equipment and Repairs	1,800.00	
All Other	12,933.75	
Welfare Department		
Salary Agent	\$900.00	
Salary Others	4,062.00	
		4,962.00
Transportation		120.00
All Other		33,200.00
Aid to Dependent Children		11,600.00
Old Age Assistance		
Salary Agent	\$900.00	
Salary Other	1,112.00	
		\$2,012.00
Federal Grant	1,600.00	
		412.00

Cash Grant	\$113,670.00	
All Other	1,500.00	
	\$115,170.00	
Federal Grant	56,270.00	
		58,900.00
Soldiers Benefits		6,175.00
School Department		
Salary Superintendent (including Transp.)		4,000.00
Salary All Others		102,806.00
All Other		28,895.00
Library		
Salaries		4,084.00
All Other		1,405.00
Unclassified		
American Legion		100.00
G. A. R. Memorial Day		150.00
Veteran Foreign Wars		100.00
Old Fire Station		25.00
Herring Run		15.00
Town Forests		25.00
Christmas Lighting		100.00
Insurance Fire House		22.32
Playground Supervision		400.00
Water Department		
Salaries		7,657.60
Wages		3,000.00
Equipment		500.00
Construction		4,925.00
All Other		7,402.00
Interest of Municipal Indebtedness		
Police Station and Court House	\$561.37	
High School	1,800.00	
Union Street School	577.50	
Green Water Extension	122.50	
Peirce St. Water Main	45.00	
Temporary Loan	300.00	
		3,406.37
Municipal Indebtedness		
Police Station and Court House	\$3,600.00	
High School	10,000.00	
Union Street School	4,000.00	
Green Water Extension	3,000.00	
Peirce Street Water Mains	1,000.00	
		21,600.00
Finance Committee		250.00
		\$435,794.04
Reserve Fund (Taken from Gas and Electric Department)		2,000.00

Voted that income from sales of Gas and Electricity to private consumers or for Gas and Electricity supplied to municipal buildings or for municipal power and street lights and from sales of appliances and jobbing during the current fiscal year be appropriated for the municipal lighting plant, the whole to be expended by the manager under the direction and control of the Selectmen for the operation expense of the plant, depreciation, and construction as defined in Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning Jan. 1, 1938, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

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Article 4. To hear the report of any committees or officers of the Town; to appoint any committee, or take any action relative thereto.

Mr. Barrett read the following report on limited town meeting:—Your committee has given careful consideration to the subject of limited town meeting and begs to report that in its opinion the adoption of this form is inadvisable for the Town of Middleboro at this time.

Michael M. Barrett
Romeo Millette
Luke F. Kelley
Kendrick H. Washburn
Harrison F. Shurtleff
George Ward Stetson
Theodore N. Wood
Lewis F. Harding
William R. Caswell

Voted that this report be accepted, recommendations adopted and the committee be discharged.

Voted the following resolution:—That the voters of the Town of Middleboro at the adjourned Town Meeting, held February 14th, 1938, go on record as opposing a change of train service to the Town, as proposed by the N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co.; giving as reason that such curtailment of service will work a hardship on those now employed in outside business as well as younger people now attending schools or colleges seeking a higher education.

That a member or members of the Board of Selectmen attend such hearing as will be required to voice such objections: and

That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the officials of the N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co., to clearly define the attitude of the voters of Middleboro regarding such proposed changes.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the Plymouth County Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture; a sum not exceeding (\$300.00) Three hundred dollars, and choose a Town Director for one year, as provided in Sections 41 and 45 of revised Chapter 128 of the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Voted to raise and appropriate for the use of the Plymouth County Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, a sum of Two hundred (200.00) dollars, and choose as Town Director H. Arthur Standish for one year, as provided in Sections 41 and 45 of revised Chapter 128 of the General Laws.

Article 6:—To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to investigate the needs of additional public parking space, make such recommendations as they deem advisable, appropriate such sums of money as it seems advisable for use of the committee in its investigation, and act anything thereon.

No action taken under this article.

Article 7:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of oiling Wood Street and Bridge Street from East Grove Street to the Lakeville Line, and act thereon. By request.

No action taken under this article.

Article 8:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five hundred (500) dollars for the use of the fourth of July celebration committee, and act thereon.

No action was taken on this article.

Article 9:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of a sidewalk on the westerly side of Everett Street from Center Street northerly, and act thereon. By request.

No action was taken under this article.

Article 10:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by loan or otherwise a sum of money not to exceed seventy-five hundred (\$7500) dollars for the construction of that portion of Plympton Street, extending from Eddyville to the Plympton Town Line, under Chapter 90 so called, provided the State or the State and County will assist financially in the cost of this work, and act thereon.

Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Three thousand seven hundred fifty (\$3,750.00) dollars for the purpose of constructing a portion of Plympton Street between Eddyville and the Plympton Town Line, under Chapter 90 so called, provided the State or the State and County will assist financially in doing this work. It being understood that the Peirce Trustees will re-imburse the Town in the sum of Two thousand five hundred (\$2,500.00) dollars.

Article 11:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred (\$2500.00) dollars for the purpose of constructing portions of Thomas Street, Chestnut Street and Purchase Street under Chapter 90 so called, provided the State or State and County will assist financially in the cost of this work, and act thereon.

No action taken under this article.

Article 12:—To see if the Town will vote to accept Shaw Street as laid out by the Board of Selectmen, raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the cost of improving said street, and act anything thereon. By request.

Voted that the Town accept Shaw Street as laid out by the Board of Selectmen but that no appropriation be made for improvements of said street.

Article 13:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by loan or otherwise for the purpose of extending water mains from the end of the present main at Cherry Street, through Wareham Street, Cushman Street, Miller Street, to Highland Street, and on Tispaquin Street and Smith Street, and Walnut Street, and act anything thereon. By request.

No action taken under this article.

Article 14:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by loan or otherwise a sum of money for the purpose of extending the water Main on South Main Street from the end of the present main to the Lakeville Town Line, and act anything thereon. By request.

No action taken under this article.

Article 15:—To see if the Town will vote to accept a portion of Rock Street extension as laid out by the Board of Selectmen, raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the same, and act anything thereon. By request.

Voted to accept a portion of Rock Street as laid out by the Board of Selectmen, but that no appropriation be made for the improvement of said street.

Article 16:—To see if the Town will vote to establish a Road Machinery Fund to which shall be credited all receipts for the use or rental of road machinery, the proceeds to be appropriated as voted by the Town for road machinery purposes, or take any action in relation thereto.

Voted that the Town establish a Road Machinery Fund to which shall be credited all receipts for the use or rental of road machinery, the proceeds to be appropriated as voted by the Town for road machinery purposes.

Article 17:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to establish a Road Machinery Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery, and act anything thereon.

No action taken under this article.

Article 18:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by loan or otherwise for the purpose of continuing the W. P. A. work, and act anything thereon.

Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars for the purpose of continuing the W. P. A. work for the year 1938. Said appropriation to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 19:—To see if the Town will vote to take any action to make available for a specific purpose the amount of twenty-five hundred (\$2500.00) dollars, raised and appropriated in the 1937 tax levy, for Chapter 90 work on East and Beach Streets, and not used for said purpose, and act anything thereon.

Voted the sum of two thousand five hundred (\$2,500.00) dollars raised and appropriated in 1937 as the Town's share of Chapter 90 work so called, on East and Beach Streets, said sum not having been spent for said purpose, and which is now in the hands of the Town Treasurer, be appropriated for the improvement of East and Beach Streets by the Highway Department, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 20:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of oiling Vernon Street, and act anything thereon. By request.

No action taken under this article.

Article 21:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Parking Space at the Town Hall, and act anything thereon.

No action taken under this article.

Article 22:—To see if the Town will vote to purchase a lot of land on Brook Street at a cost not to exceed two hundred seventy-five (\$275.00) dollars, containing twenty-four (24) acres more or less, upon which is located a gravel bank, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, and act anything thereon.

Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred seventy-five (\$275.00) dollars for the purchase of a lot of land containing twenty-four (24) acres more or less, and located on the Easterly side of Brook Street.

Article 23:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by loan or otherwise, a sum of money for the purpose of installing a new heating system in the Bates School, making such repairs and changes in

said building as may be necessary in connection with installing said system, and act anything thereon.

No action taken on this article.

Article 24:—To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to petition The General Court to amend Section 2, Chapter 592, Acts of 1920, and amendments thereto, whereby the Selectmen shall hold office for a term of two (2) years instead of the term of three (3) years, and act thereon.

No action taken under this article.

Article 25:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of providing a Water Supply for the Waterville School and act anything thereon. By request.

No action was taken under this article.

Article 26:—To see what action the Town will vote to take in connection with the removal of the present Union Street School Building, either by sale, moving to a new location, or demolishing, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor if deemed necessary and act anything thereon.

Voted that the removal of the present Union Street School Building either by sale, moving to a new location or demolishing, be left in the hands of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 27:—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay the land damages caused by the re-location of the bounds on Plympton Street from Eddyville to the town line, and act anything thereon.

Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of nine hundred twenty-two (\$922.60) dollars and sixty cents for the purpose of paying the land damages caused by the lay-out of Plympton Street, by the County Commissioners.

Article 28:—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay the land damages caused by the re-location of the bounds of a portion of Thomas, Chestnut, and Purchase Streets, and act anything thereon.

No action taken under this article.

Article 29:—To see if the Town will vote to return to the Peirce Trustees the unexpended balance of their contribution to the construction of the Court House and Police Station, and act anything thereon.

Voted that the Town return to the Peirce Trustees the unexpended balance of one hundred sixty-nine (169.66) dollars and sixty-six cents, now in the construction account of the Court House—Police Station, said sum being a portion of the amount originally furnished by the said Trustees for the construction of this building.

Article 30:—To see if the Town will vote to sell to the Central Cemetery Association the following described parcel of land:

The land in Middleboro on the Northerly side of Center Street, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Southeasterly corner of the land of the Central Cemetery Association of Middleboro and the Southwesterly corner of land of Maria D. Mitchell, deceased, at a stake said stake being the Northerly line of the County layout of Center Street made in 1876, said stake being located about 190 feet more or less Westerly as measured in said Northerly line from a Plymouth County bound located in said line at the beginning of a curve whose radius is 1004.24 feet and whose arc is 204.19 feet as shown on said plan, said bound being nearly in the Westerly side range of the dwelling house now or formerly of Chester S. Mendell produce Southerly, thence from said stake North 73° 12' 45" West about 581.81 feet to another Plymouth County bound, said bound being nearly opposite the Northeasterly corner of Warren Ave. and Center St.,

thence Northwesterly curving to the right along an arc with a radius of 2424.66 feet about 30' to the present line of the Cemetery fence; thence Southeasterly in line of said fence about 612 feet to the corner of the fence; thence Northeasterly in line of said fence about 5.15 feet to the bound first mentioned. Being a narrow strip of land which is enclosed at present within the said Cemetery fence, said fence and bound are shown on a plan entitled "Taunton & Center Streets in the town of Middleborough, as laid out by the County Commissioners under petition of Albert A. Thomas, et al. May 5, 1931. Scale: 40 feet to an inch. Lewis W. Perkins C. E. County Engincer, Sheet 5.", and to act anything in relation thereto.

Voted to sell to the Central Cemetery Association, for the sum of \$1.00, the following described parcel of land: as described in the article, that the Treasurer of the Town of Middleborough, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed in the name and behalf of the town to sign, seal, acknowledge and deliver a good and sufficient Quit-claim deed to carry this vote into effect.

Article 31: To see if the town will vote to amend Section 2 of Article 1 of its General By-Laws; or take any action relative thereto. By request.

Voted; to amend Section 2 of Article 1 of the General By-Laws of the Town by striking out the words "One hundred" and substituting the words "Two hundred and fifty" so that section 2 will read as follows: Two hundred and fifty legal voters shall constitute a quorum at all town meetings excepting such parts of said meeting as are devoted exclusively to the election of officers.

Article 32: To see if the Town will vote to accept sections 32 to 47 inclusive, Chapter 147, General Laws of Massachusetts, permitting licensed boxing matches in the town of Middleboro, and act thereon. By petition.

Voted to accept section 32 to 47 inclusive, Chapter 147, General Laws of Massachusetts permitting licensed boxing matches in Middleboro.

Article 33: To see if the Town will vote to erect a safety fence on East Main Street at the location known as Pratt's hill; to appropriate money therefor for same, and act thereon. By request.

No action taken under this article.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 11, 1938

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed sixteen thousand (\$16,000.) dollars from the Free Cash now in the hands of the Town Treasurer for the use of the Assessors in fixing the tax rate for the year 1938, and act anything thereon.

Voted that the town appropriate sixteen thousand (\$16,000.) dollars from the Free Cash now in the hands of the Town Treasurer for the use of the Assessors in fixing the tax rate for the year 1938. Recommended by Finance Committee.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend section 2, of article 1, of the General By-laws by striking out the words "One hundred" and inserting therefor the words "Two hundred fifty" and by adding thereto after the words town meetings "Provided that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same" and by striking out the words "Excepting such parts of said meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of town officers" and adding thereto "This section shall not apply to such parts of meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of town officers" so that section 2, of the General By-laws shall read as follows:

Section 2. Two hundred fifty legal voters shall constitute a quorum at all town meetings provided that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same. This section shall not apply to such parts of meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of town officers, and act anything thereon.

Voted to amend section 2 of article 1 of the General By-laws by striking out the words "One hundred" and inserting therefor the words "Two hundred fifty" and by adding thereto after the words town meetings "Providing that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same" and by striking out the words "Excepting such parts of said meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of town officers" and adding thereto "This section shall not apply to such parts of meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of town officers" so that section 2 of the General By-laws shall read as follows:

Section 2. Two hundred fifty legal voters shall constitute a quorum at all town meetings; provided that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same. This section shall not apply to such parts of meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of town officers.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend its General By-laws by inserting therein Article 11A:

Article 11A:

Section 1. For violation of any of the provisions of these General By-Laws there shall be a penalty not exceeding twenty (\$20.) dollars for each offense, and act anything thereon.

Voted not to accept this article.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by loan or otherwise a sum of money for the purpose of extending the water main on South Main Street from the end of the present main to the Lakeville town line, and act anything thereon.

Finance Committee recommended that this work be done as a W. P. A. project and that the Selectmen decide whether to work to bridge or Lakeville Town line.

Voted to lay this question on table.

Article 5. To hear the report of any committees or officers of the Town: to appoint any committee, or take any action relative thereto.

Voted that a committee of three be appointed from the floor to work with the Board of Selectmen in investigating the condition at Bates School building. The committee so appointed was:—Albert W. Charbonneau, Wilson G. Harlow and Elmer A. Sisson.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred (\$100.) dollars for the purpose of paying the rent for suitable quarters for the use of the John Glass Jr. Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the period extending from July 1st, 1938, to Dec. 31st, 1938, and act anything thereon.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred (\$100.) dollars for the purpose of paying the rent for suitable quarters for the use of John Glass Jr. Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, for the period extending from July 1st, 1938, to Dec. 31st, 1938.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred (\$100.) dollars in addition to the one hundred (\$100.) dollars appropriated for the use of the Simeon L. Nickerson Post of the American Legion for the celebration of Armistice Day, and act anything thereon.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred (\$100.) dollars said sum being in addition to the sum of one hundred (\$100.) dollars previously appropriated for the use of the Simeon L. Nickerson Post of the American Legion for the celebration of Armistice Day.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 12, 1938

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sewerage system together with a Pumping Station and Disposal Plant, in the northerly and westerly sections of that section of the town locally known as the Old Fire District, and in substantial accordance with the preliminary plans prepared by Weston & Sampson, Engineers of Boston, Mass., appropriate money for the same to be raised by loan or otherwise and authorize the procuring of such lands as may be needed for the sewerage disposal and pumping station sites and rights of ways for the pipe lines, either by purchase or otherwise, and act thereon.

Voted; that a committee of fifteen be appointed to study and consider the advisability of extending the town's present sewerage system together with a Pumping Station and Disposal Plant in that section of the town locally known as the Old Fire District, said committee to consist of the following members:—Granville E. Tillson, Frederick S. Weston, Ernest L. Maxim, Russell A. Trufant, Harry J. Goodale, Dr. Daniel H. Holmes, Lewis F. Harding, Ralph W. Maddigan, James E. Houlihan, Elmer E. Phinney, Albert A. Thomas, Mrs. Barclay A. Kinsman, Mrs. Wendell E. Holloway, Arthur Massicotte, and John H. McNeece. Said committee to report at the next annual town meeting and that a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars be transferred from available funds in the Middleboro Gas & Electric Co. for the use of said committee.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing a sewerage disposal plant and pumping station, acquire land as may be necessary, by purchase or otherwise and authorize and direct the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, for the use in carrying out such project, a Federal grant of money pursuant to the Public Works Administration appropriation Act of 1938; and authorize the Selectmen to construct said project and contract with respect thereto; and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums as may be necessary to meet any appropriation made and to use any other available funds that may be raised by taxation or appropriated for that purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

No action taken under this article.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to construct trunk lines, force mains and lateral sewers in co-operation with the Federal Government and the Works Progress Administration in the northerly and westerly section of the town locally known as the Old Fire District, and in substantial accordance with preliminary plans and report made by Weston and Sampson, Engineers of 14 Beacon St., Boston, under date of Aug. 26, 1933, and subsequent reports prepared by them: appropriate money for the same to be raised by loan or otherwise, in accordance with Chap. 44, General Laws, and act thereon.

No action taken under this article.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to establish a method of assessing sewerage betterments on any sewers that may be constructed under the new sewerage program or constructing any additions to the present sewer system, and act thereon.

No action taken under this article.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to secure by purchase or otherwise, such easements or lands as may be necessary for the construction of a High Tension Line in conjunction with the Public Works Administration under Docket Mass. 1462, and authorize and direct the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, for the use in carrying out such project, a Federal Grant of money pursuant to the Public Works Administration Appropriation Act of 1938; and authorize the Selectmen to construct said project and contract with respect thereto; and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums as may be necessary to meet any appropriation made and to use any other available funds that may be raised by taxation or appropriated for that purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

Voted: to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase or otherwise such easements or lands as may be necessary for the construction of a High Tension Line in conjunction with the Public Works Administration under Docket Mass. 1462.

All moneys received by way of grants from the Federal Government on account of this project shall be applied first to meet the cost of construction thereof and any balance shall be applied to the payments of the loan herein authorized. The Selectmen are hereby authorized and directed to accept on behalf of the town, for the use in carrying out such project, a Federal Grant of money, pursuant to the Public Works Administration Appropriation Act of 1938; and the Selectmen are authorized to proceed with the construction of said project and to enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements in respect thereto, all subject to applicable federal regulations; and the Selectmen are authorized to do all other acts and things necessary or convenient for obtaining said grant, and constructing said project. A voice vote was taken and declared carried by the Moderator.

Article 6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate by loan or otherwise a sum of money to finance the Town's share of the cost of operating W. P. A. Projects for the remainder of the year 1938, and act thereon.

No action taken under this article.

Article 7. To hear the report of any committees or officers of the Town; to appoint any committee, or take any action relative thereto.

This article was called for but after taking a count and finding that only 191 voters were present, no action was taken.

STATE PRIMARY

September 20, 1938

The polls were opened at 11 o'clock A.M.

The following election officers were sworn in:—

Precinct 1. B. J. Allan, William Lewis, Andrew P. Campbell, Harold Pratt, Stella Fickert, Maurice Guerin, Leila Allan, and Inez Chandler.

Precinct 2. Ralph W. Maddigan, Frank S. Thomas, William A. Keenan, Frederick W. da Costa, Esther Robidoux, Harold S. Thomas, Abraham G. Newkirk, Annie Healey, Louis A. Cole, Arthur Massicott, Mabel B. Sears, Doris A. Keith, J. Adrien Bissonnette, James P. McCarthy, Laura Norris, Agnes C. Standish, and Elwyn B. Lynde.

Precinct 3. Harlas Cushman, Leslie Woodward, Ellen C. Gallagher, Joseph M. Duphily, Henry C. Walker, Susan Brackett, Henry Kean, and Charles G. Swenning.

The number of votes cast were as follows:

	Republicans	Democrats	Total
Precinct 1.	78	7	85
Precinct 2.	678	210	888
Precinct 3.	116	12	128
	872	229	1101

The result of the vote was announced in Precincts 1 and 3 at 9 P.M. and in Precinct 2 at 12:30 A.M.

Tabulation of the Vote

Republican Platform

	Prct. 1	Prct. 2	Prct. 3	Total
Governor				
Frederick Butler	0	19	4	23
William H. McMasters	9	100	12	121
Leverett Saltonstall	66	516	92	674
Richard Whitcomb	3	30	4	37
Blanks	0	13	4	17
Lieutenant Governor				
Dewey G. Archambault	1	39	9	49
Horace T. Cahill	41	342	59	442
J. Watson Flett	0	22	3	25
Charles P. Howard	8	99	16	123
Kenneth D. Johnson	20	78	18	116
Robert Gardner Wilson, Jr.	2	40	6	48
Blanks	6	58	5	69
Secretary				
Frederic W. Cook	70	598	103	771
Blanks	8	80	13	101
Treasurer				
William E. Hurley	35	294	50	379
Alonzo B. Cook	38	310	55	403
John J. Hurley	0	24	3	27
Blanks	5	50	8	63
Auditor				
Carl D. Goodwin	26	180	40	246
Russell A. Wood	39	354	56	449
Blanks	13	144	20	177
Attorney General				
Howe Coolidge Ames	17	144	23	184
Clarence A. Barnes	32	264	53	349
Frank F. Walters	10	86	17	113
Blanks	19	184	23	226
Congressman				
Charles L. Gifford	44	465	89	598
Harry L. Avery	11	39	10	60
William B. Taylor	18	133	14	165
Blanks	5	41	3	49

Councillor

Edgar S. Lindsay	38	383	68	489
John McDonald	4	20	3	27
Walter McLane	11	100	16	127
Frederick P. Whitten	9	74	9	92
Blanks	16	101	20	137

Senator

Charles G. Miles	44	413	61	518
Ralph W. Copeland	23	197	40	260
Blanks	11	68	15	94

Representative in General Court

George Ward Stetson	72	628	106	806
Blanks	6	50	10	66

District Attorney

Edmund R. Dewing	59	526	90	675
Joseph G. Schumb	8	41	6	55
Blanks	11	111	20	142

County Commissioner

George M. Webber	48	427	64	539
Joseph B. Estes	14	78	17	109
Oscar H. Tracey	5	63	16	84
Blanks	11	110	19	140

County Commissioner to fill vacancy

Horace C. Baker	24	158	24	206
Elva M. Bent	21	223	32	276
Elroy S. Thompson	5	83	3	91
James A. White	14	99	30	143
LeRoy A. Whitten	2	16	4	22
Oscar E. Young	3	31	4	38
Blanks	9	68	19	96

Sheriff

Charles H. Robbins	58	489	78	625
Blanks	20	189	38	247

Delegates to State Convention

Elmer G. Allen	59	482	68	609
Ruth W. Thomas	51	439	62	552
Anne C. Wyman	46	427	75	548
Doris K. Stetson	54	509	71	634
Stella R. Fickert	55	424	56	535
Malcolm C. Drake	53	483	68	604
Leslie M. Woodward	49	417	71	537
Arthur Massicott	45	397	56	498
Luke F. Kelley	42	453	70	565
Blanks	248	2071	447	2766

Democratic Platform

Governor

Charles F. Hurley	3	48	4	55
James M. Curley	4	106	1	111
Francis E. Kelly	0	36	6	42
Richard M. Russell	0	15	0	15
Blanks	0	5	1	6

Lieutenant Governor

James Henry Brennan	3	54	1	58
Edward T. Collins	0	35	4	39
Alexander F. Sullivan	2	24	1	27
Joseph C. White	0	51	3	54
William P. Yoerg	1	10	2	13
Blanks	1	36	1	38

Secretary

William J. Ahearne	1	19	1	21
John M. Bresnahan	2	27	1	30
Henry Clay	0	6	0	6
Katherine A. Foley	1	48	1	50
William F. Sullivan	1	35	3	39
John H. Wallace	1	33	2	36
Blanks	1	42	4	47

Treasurer

William F. Barrett	1	21	2	24
Ernest Joseph Brown	0	7	1	8
William H. Burke, Jr.	0	16	2	18
Joseph W. Doherty	2	32	1	35
Owen Gallagher	0	31	4	35
John Frederick Harkins	0	5	0	5
Daniel J. Honan	1	23	1	25
John J. McGrath	2	30	0	32
Blanks	1	45	1	47

Auditor

Thomas H. Buckley	4	149	11	164
John J. Barry	0	21	0	21
Leo D. Walsh	2	24	0	26
Blanks	1	16	1	18

Attorney General

Paul A. Dever	6	164	8	178
Blanks	1	46	4	51

Congressman

John D. W. Bodfish	3	111	5	119
Henry L. Murphy	3	70	5	78
Blanks	1	29	2	32

Councillor

J. Dolan Hathaway	2	52	3	57
Philip J. Russell, Sr.	4	112	8	124
Blanks	1	46	1	48

Senator

John E. Manning	2	116	8	126
Joseph A. Noonan	3	48	3	54
Blanks	2	46	1	49

Representative in General Court

Alfred M. Butler	2	30	0	32
Blanks	5	180	12	197

District Attorney

Alonzo Bartlett Greene	0	37	6	43
Daniel L. Kelleher, Jr.	5	125	5	135
Blanks	2	48	1	51

County Commissioner				
Louis A. Reardon	6	146	9	161
Blanks	1	64	3	68
County Commissioner to fill vacancy				
William Leslie Ross	5	124	9	138
Blanks	2	86	3	91
Sheriff				
Albert M. Heath	5	165	9	179
Blanks	2	45	3	50
Delegates to State Convention				
William A. Blanchette	6	85	6	97
Ellen J. Gaudette	0	94	4	98
Alfred M. Butler	0	1	0	1
Blanks	1	30	2	33
The Polls were closed at 8 o'clock P.M.				

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 26, 1938

Article 1. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate by loan or otherwise a sum not to exceed ten thousand (10,000.00) dollars to finance the Town's share of the cost of operating W.P.A. Projects, and act thereon.

Moved that for the purpose of financing the cost of Federal Emergency Unemployment Relief Projects the Town of Middleboro raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars for the Town's expenses in connection with W.P.A. Projects, and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$10,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, said bonds or notes to be payable in not more than five years or at such earlier dates as the Treasurer and the Selectmen may determine, under authority and in accordance with Chapter 58, Acts of 1938.

No action was taken on this motion, there being only 183 present, which is not a quorum. Voted to adjourn until Wednesday evening.

On Wednesday evening there were 272 voters present so that they proceeded to vote on the motion already before the house.

The result of the vote taken on the motion presented Monday evening was:—Yes 280, No 0.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 24, 1938

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to secure by purchase or otherwise, such easements or lands as may be necessary for the construction of a High Tension Line in conjunction with the Public Works Administration under Docket Mass. 1462 and authorize and direct the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, for the use in carrying such project, a Federal Grant of money pursuant to the Public Works Administration Appropriation Act of 1938; and authorize the Selectmen to construct said project and contract with respect thereto; and authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such

sums as may be necessary to meet any appropriation made and to use any other available funds that may be raised by taxation or appropriated for that purpose; or take any action relative thereto.

The following motion was presented:—Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase or otherwise, such easements or lands as may be necessary for the construction of a High Tension Line in conjunction with the Public Works Administration under Docket Mass. 1462. All moneys received by way of grant from the Federal Government on account of the project shall be applied first to meet the cost of construction thereof and any balance shall be applied to the payment of the loan herein authorized. The Selectmen are hereby authorized and directed to accept on behalf of the Town, for use in carrying out such project, a Federal Grant of money, pursuant to the Public Works Administration Appropriation Act of 1938; and the Selectmen are authorized to proceed with the construction of said project and to enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements with respect thereto all subject to applicable Federal Regulations and the Selectmen are authorized to do all other acts and things necessary or convenient for obtaining said grant, and constructing said project.

There being only 243 present it was voted to adjourn this meeting until 7:50 P.M. this evening.

At 7:50 P.M. there were 262 present and they proceeded to vote on the motion before the house. The result of the vote was:—Yes 236, No 0, so was declared a unanimous vote.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by loan or otherwise a sum of money for the purpose of extending the Water Mains on South Main Street from the end of the present main to the Lakeville Town line, and act anything thereon.

No action taken under this article.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by loan or otherwise for the purpose of extending Water Mains from the end of the present main at Cherry St., through Wareham Street, Cushman Street, Miller Street to Highland Street, and on Tispaquin Street and Smith Street, and Walnut Street, and act anything thereon. By request.

The motion to appoint a committee to study the advisability of extending Water to the Rock was lost by a vote of Yes 89, No 116.

Voted to grant the privilege of the floor to the Town Manager. Mr. Peterson recommended further study of the question.

A motion was presented by Mr. Charbonneau but after much discussion, no action was taken.

STATE ELECTION

November 8th, 1938

Polls were opened at 11 A.M. in precinct 1 by Warden Bert J. Allan and at the same hour at precinct 2 by Ralph W. Maddigan and in precinct 3 by Harlas L. Cushman.

The following Election Officers were sworn in:—Precinct 1. Bert J. Allan, Elmer G. Allan, Stella Fickert, William Lewis, Harold Pratt, Maurice Guerin, Andrew Campbell, Jr., James Brooks, Jr., Inez Chandler and Ethel

Williamson. Precinct 2. Esther Robidoux, James McCarthy, Frank Thomas, Frederick daCosta, Peter Gravelin, Mabel Sears, Elwyn B. Lynde, William Keenan, Louis Cole, Arthur Massicott, Laura Norris, Annie Healey, Agnes Standish, Daniel Maloney, John F. Murphy, Doris Keith, Madeline S. Alger, Helen A. Clark, Abraham G. Newkirk, Harold S. Thomas, Joseph T. Silva, Louise Cashon, Daniel Harrington, Luke Callan, Lottie Clark, Elizabeth Alger, Bourne Wood, Harold S. Wood, J. Adrien Bissonnette, Margaret Sullivan, Mary E. Kelley, Helen Manion, Luke F. Kelly, and Ralph W. Madigan. Precinct 3. Harlas L. Cushman, Chester W. Thomas, Ellen C. Gallagher, Joseph M. Duphily, Henry C. Walker, Jr., Susan M. Brackett, Henry Kean, and Charles G. Swenning.

The result of the vote was as follows:—

	Prct. 1	Prct. 2	Prct. 3	Total
Governor				
Henning A. Blomen	0	5	0	5
Roland S. Bruneau	0	0	0	0
Jeffrey W. Campbell	0	4	1	5
James M. Curley	32	898	59	994
William A. Davenport	0	3	0	3
Ottis Archer Hood	0	0	0	0
Charles L. Manser	0	0	0	0
William H. McMasters	1	15	0	16
Leverett Saltonstall	225	2091	328	2644
George L. Thompson	0	3	2	5
Blanks	3	47	9	59
Lieutenant Governor				
Manuel Blank	0	7	1	8
James Henry Brennan	32	836	53	921
Horace T. Cahill	228	2089	324	2641
Freeman W. Follett	1	8	7	16
Joseph F. Massidda	0	6	1	7
George L. McGlynn	0	6	0	6
Blanks	5	114	13	132
Secretary				
Frederick W. Cook	236	2170	325	2731
Hugo DeGregory	1	2	2	5
Katherine A. Foley	24	723	46	793
Eileen O'Coonor Lane	0	5	2	7
Malcolm T. Rowe	0	9	1	10
Blanks	5	157	23	185
Treasurer				
Frank L. Asher	0	5	0	5
Albert Sprague Coolidge	0	17	3	20
Owen Gallagher	21	686	43	750
John J. Hurley	1	56	4	61
William E. Hurley	240	2126	311	2677
Ralph Pirone	1	7	4	12
Blanks	3	169	34	206

Auditor

Thomas H. Buckley	32	923	63	1018
Michael C. Flaherty	0	11	2	13
Horace I. Hillis	0	6	1	7
Michael Tuysuzian	0	5	0	5
Guy S. Williams	3	25	8	36
Russell A. Wood	225	1898	292	2415
Blanks	6	198	33	237

Attorney General

Clarence A. Barnes	208	1795	292	2295
Paul A. Dever	50	1086	76	1212
Joseph C. Figueiredo	0	2	1	3
George F. Hogan	1	8	2	11
Alfred Baker Lewis	2	7	1	10
Fred E. Oelcher	0	2	3	5
Blanks	5	166	24	195

Congressman

John D. W. Bodfish	52	1050	96	1198
Charles L. Gifford	204	1851	288	2343
Joseph A. Piconie	0	1	0	1
Blanks	10	164	15	189

Councillor

Edgar S. Lindsay	216	1889	291	2396
Philip J. Russell, Sr.	37	910	81	1028
Lester M. Shulman	1	15	3	19
Blanks	12	252	24	288

Senator

John E. Manning	37	933	64	1034
Charles G. Miles	218	1963	307	2488
Blanks	11	170	28	209

Representative in General Court

George Ward Stetson	245	2598	360	3203
James F. Shurtleff	0	1	0	1
James McCarthy	0	1	0	1
Blanks	21	466	39	526

District Attorney

Edmund R. Dewing	223	2003	315	2541
Daniel L. Kelleher, Jr.	31	818	53	902
Blanks	12	245	31	288

County Commissioner

Louis A. Reardon	29	782	52	863
George M. Webber	217	1996	316	2529
Blanks	20	288	31	339

County Commissioner to fill vacancy

Elva M. Bent	212	2002	305	2519
William Leslie Ross	36	767	62	865
Blanks	18	297	32	347

Sheriff

Albert M. Heath	39	896	71	1006
Charles H. Robbins	217	1977	297	2491
Blanks	10	193	31	234

Question No. 1

Yes	81	1056	123	1260
No	80	764	124	968
Blanks	105	1246	152	1503

Question No. 2

Yes	86	907	112	1105
No	75	959	139	1173
Blanks	105	1200	148	1453

Question No. 3—Part one

Yes	113	1502	149	1764
No	98	1121	186	1405
Blanks	55	443	64	562

Part two

Yes	115	1487	153	1755
No	92	1058	163	1313
Blanks	59	521	83	663

Part three

Yes	118	1574	162	1854
No	86	1000	161	1247
Blanks	62	492	76	630

Question No. 4—Part one

Yes	84	1251	119	1454
No	114	1116	175	1405
Blanks	68	699	105	872

Part two

Yes	79	1167	109	1355
No	121	1166	183	1480
Blanks	66	723	107	896

Question No. 1:—Shall an amendment to the constitution providing for biennial sessions of the General Court and for a biennial budget, be approved.

Question No. 2:—Shall the proposed measure which provides that in any city or town which accepts its terms, the licensing authority shall establish free public taxi cab stands, be approved.

Question No. 3—Part one:—Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages?

Part two:—Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages?

Part three:—Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called not to be drunk on the premises?

Question No. 4—Part one:—Shall the Pari-Mutuel System of betting on licensed horse races be permitted in this county.

Part two:—Shall the Pari-Mutuel System of betting on licensed dog races be permitted in this county.

The polls were closed at 8 o'clock P.M. The total number of votes cast was:—Precinct 1 266, Precinct 2 3066, Precinct 3 399, Total 3731.

As per law the Clerks of the Towns included in the seventh representative district met at Middleborough to canvas the votes of the Towns with the following results:—

	George W. Stetson	James F. Shurtleff	James McCarthy	A. W. Winters	James Murphy	Walter Bump	Blanks	Totals
Carver	367	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51	418
Lakeville	607	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	59	667
Mattapoisett	537	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	138	675
Middleboro	3203	1	1	.....	.....	.....	526	3731
Rochester	357	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	400
Marion	645	.....	.....	1	1	.....	169	816
	5716	1	1	1	1	1	986	6707

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

December 12, 1938

Article 1:—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of the extension of water mains of not less than six inches in diameter to that part of Middleboro known as Rock Village in co-operation with the Federal Government as a W.P.A. Project; the appropriation to be raised by loan or otherwise in accordance with Chapter 44, General Laws, and act thereon.

A count was taken showing an attendance of 280. Voted that when vote be taken, that it be by use of Yes and No ballots. The following vote was made:—That for the purpose of extending of water mains of not less than six inches in diameter to that part of the Town known as Rock Village, substantially in accordance with the plan on file in the office of the Town Clerk, in co-operation with the Federal Government as a W. P. A. Project there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$33,856.00 of which \$13.856.00 shall be transferred from the available funds in the treasury, for meeting the Town’s share of the cost of said construction, and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$20,000.00 and to issue bonds or note of the Town therefor, under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws, said bonds or notes to be payable in not more than 15 years or at such earlier date as the Selectmen may determine. The result of the vote was, Yes 181, No 97, total 278. The vote was lost, this not being a two-thirds vote.

Voted to adjourn without date at 9:15 P.M.

TOWN CLERK’S FINANCIAL REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 1938

Receipts

Fish and Game Licenses		
Resident Citizen Fishing	229 @ 2.00	\$458.00
Resident Citizen Hunting	199 2.00	398.00

Resident Citizen Sporting	137	3.25	445.25
Resident Citizen Minor Fishing	42	1.25	52.50
Resident Citizen Minor Trapping	4	2.25	9.00
Resident Citizen Trapping	15	5.25	78.75
Spec. Non Resident Fishing	6	1.50	9.00
Non Resident Fishing	3	5.25	15.75
Duplicates	3	.50	1.50
	638		\$1,467.75

Due Fish and Game Department \$1,309.00

Due Town, Fees 158.75

Dog Licenses

Males	595 @ 2.00	\$1,190.00
Females	92 5.00	460.00
Spayed Females	141 2.00	282.00
Kennel	1 25.00	25.00
Duplicates	19 .10	1.90
	848	\$1,958.90

Due County 1,791.20

Due Town, Fees 167.70

Licenses and Permits

Marriages	\$210.00
Dealer and Garage	113.00
Common Victualler	126.00
Gasolene	422.00
Alcohol	6,240.00
Sunday Music ..	79.80
Pedlars	30.00
Jitney	8.00
Beano	76.00
Junk	45.00
Certified Copies	15.75
Mortgages	275.98
Theatre	195.00
Pool-Billiards ..	2.00
Sunday	70.20
Fire Arms	3.00
Auctioneer	6.00
Business Certificate	.50
Fuel Oil	3.00
Innholder	6.00
Fire Works	15.00
Pole Locations	2.00
Transient Vendors	10.00
Dance Permit	1.00
Physician Fee	.25

Due Town 7,955.48

Total Receipts \$11,382.13

Disbursements

Chester L. Shaw, Town Treasurer	\$10,073.13
Division of Fisheries and Game	1,309.00
Total Disbursements	\$11,382.13

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF
MIDDLEBOROUGH DURING 1938

Dates	Names	Names of Parents
1874		
June		
14	Lucy Jane Haskins	Daniel H. & Abbie E. Haskell
1903		
Sept.		
19	Nathaniel Francis Shurtleff	Harrison F. & Alice E. Gerald
1911		
Sept.		
16	Harrison Allerton Shurtleff	Harrison F. & Alice E. Gerald
1922		
April		
25	Phyllis Thelma Demers	William A. & Abbie E. Lewis
1932		
Dec.		
18	George Freeman Provonche	Dana H. & Marguerite Meservey
1937		
Sept.		
16	Paul MacIver Dornan	Sidney F. & Loretta B. Fahey
Oct.		
7	William Leonard Smith	William & Ruth Williams
Nov.		
20	Richard George Rose	Manuel G. & Mary D. Amarol
Dec.		
23	Edward Joseph Silvia	Joseph & Ellen Pierce
1938		
Jan.		
2	Diana M. Sousa	Alfred M. & Roberta E. Jones
7	Jane Claire Davis	Eugene Francis & Evelyn M. Sherman
10	James Merrill Beard	Thomas E. & Julia E. Sampson
15	Martha Lorraine Salley	Irving & Ruth Henshaw
15	Robert Henry Linton	Orville B. & Florence Mullins
24	Grace Bradford Sampson	Ralph & Mary F. Crothers
26	Ruth Alice Craig	Arthur P. & Gladys Demmings
29	Robert Drew Tate	Thomas M. & Elizabeth Drew
31	Paul Harry Jennings	James H. & Virginia W. Caswell
Feb.		
1	John Bradford Niro	Emilio N. & Sally J. Burton
2	Nina Ann Brown	Victor H. & Nina Moshure
3	Janice Rae Tobey	Robert L. & Victoria Stanley
5	Leona Mae Fowler	John E. & Dorothy VanDeusen
5	Karen Anne Rogers	Edward V. & Anne Elizabeth Campbell

9 Theresa DeMoranville
 12 Lawrence George Yablonsky
 12 Alfred Lincoln Yablonsky
 12 Mary Louise Glidden
 14 Curtis Baker Holmes
 15 Patricia Anne Gotham
 15 Deborah Louise Thomas
 16 Joseph Lee Roza
 20 Allerton Caswell
 28 Patricia Ann Kelly

James H. & Elizabeth Macura
 Alexander F. & Anna J. Washvilas
 Alexander F. & Anna J. Washvilas
 Benjamin K. & Dorothy Harris
 Norman V. & Constance Tobin
 James E. & Julia C. McGuinness
 Clyde S. & Cora Staples
 John & Marion Hopkins
 Francis L. & Virginia Jacques
 Edward L. & Agnes L. LeBarnes

March

3 Kenneth Arthur Saccocia
 9 Edward Chamberlain Churchill
 13 Kendra Ann Muise
 13 Geraldine Shaw Robbins
 14 Helen Marie Erickson
 15 Lawrence Bernard Bissonnette
 16 Kay Evelyn Staples
 21 Barbara Ann Wilkie
 22 Barbara Ann Laine
 23 ——— Houlihan
 23 Suzanne Marie White
 24 Joyce Mildred Fuller
 26 Patricia Ann Guild
 31 Royal Kenneth Hayes

Arthur A. & Bettina Sollis
 William R. & Marjorie A. Larkins
 Raymond F. & Evelyn Wright
 Albert C. & Mae Idella Shaw
 Robert G. & Tyyne Kari
 Lawrence B. & Evelyn Lovell
 Clarence W. & Eleanor Gurney
 Wallace C. & Norma Barney
 Tauno A. & Linnea Halunen
 James E. & Katherine Warren
 Richard H. & Gertrude Dupre
 Granville D. & Mabel McCrillis
 Albert E. & Lillian C. Shea
 Royal K. & Helen Martin

April

1 Theodore Ross Freeman
 3 Raymond Nelson Rioux
 4 Cynthia Elizabeth Coombs
 6 Arthur Ashton Greer
 7 Marilyn Martha Boucher
 9 Barbara Ann Giberti
 10 Stanley Roy Miller
 11 Louis Paul Boileau
 12 Janice Lillian Benson
 15 Frederick Charles Graham
 18 Betty Ann Jefferson
 26 James Edward Norris
 27 Leonard Wilson Roby
 30 Marian Lois McIntire

Theodore R. & Barbara D. Hodges
 Raymond H. & Doris U. Moffett
 Elwin W. & Empi M. Hill
 Nelson R. & Dorothy Sanborn
 Thomas F. & Martha Klocker
 Amedeo J. & Anna Fabbri
 Walter E. & Edith K. Tinkham
 Armand S. & Donata Bernabea
 William J. & Gertrude C. Girard
 Percy P. & Helen Voegeli
 Frank M. & Alzara E. Bacon
 John H. & Evelyn Sylvia
 Nathan G. & Alice E. Knott
 Charles I. & Esther Saunders

May

2 ——— Bernabeo
 3 Brian Thoreau Sears
 6 David Townsend Barry
 7 ——— Pierce
 17 Elaine Carolyn Freitas
 17 ——— Perry
 19 Charles Alan MacKenzie
 20 Donald Lee Chase
 21 Virginia Huntley
 24 Walter Amendt Baker
 26 Robert Ernest Baker

Dominick & Mary R. Duphily
 Anthony & Adelaide Meeker
 Francis D. & Alice Collins
 Allen S. & Edith Fagan
 George & Cordelia M. Eldridge
 Joseph W. & Myrtle Pratt
 William R. & Geneva Goff
 Walter A. & Eleanor Caldwell
 Lawrence R. & Marjorie Chapman
 Perce & Dorothea Merz
 Jared R. & Elinor Bryant

June

1 Barbara Joan Porter
 6 Louise Frances Estey

Malcolm E. & Lillian M. Conant
 Nye D. & Hattie M. Guild

7 Joan Elaine Whittemore
 10 Joseph William Norbert
 Chausse
 10 Jean Elaine Stetson
 10 Shirley Ann Williams
 12 Ann Miller
 14 Leroy Francis Gomes
 15 George Albert Millette
 20 Donald Alexander Sykes
 21 Nancy Louise Murdock
 23 Hope Elaine Griffith
 28 Elizabeth Sarah Braley
 28 Harold Chester Perkins
 30 Ann Rudolph
 30 Gerald William Green

July

6 Janice Claire Trinque
 13 Judith Ann Deming
 17 ——— Ireland
 21 Alison May McClellan
 22 Judith Ann Anderson
 24 Helen Pierce
 25 Mary Ann Sylvia
 28 Warren Sumner Hallock

Aug.

1 Barbara Lois Mackie
 4 Curtis Thornton Sears
 4 Eleanor Nichols
 7 Harold Steven Sukeforth
 10 Douglas Wayne Mills
 12 John Elwin Hanson
 12 Karyl Ann Benson
 17 Stanley Francis Tatro
 18 Arthur Charles Ripley
 18 Leona Florence Baker
 19 Richard Sterling Cook
 20 Robert Joseph Desautels
 21 Joyce Leonard
 22 Clifton Choate Richmond
 22 Richard Peter Bernier
 23 ——— McHale
 24 Charles William Rumpohl
 27 Joseph William Mello
 27 Kathleen King
 29 Henry Lott Howes
 29 Nancy Carol Vickery
 30 Gerald Stuart Hovenanian

Sept.

4 Virginia Leona Santos
 4 Cyrena Elaine Paquin
 7 Theodore Francis Perry
 7 Anita Elizabeth Vassel
 7 Audrey Alene Boardman
 10 Eugene Henry Wood
 13 ——— Evans
 15 ——— Garnett

Kenneth A. & Ethel L. Johnston

Leon J. & Angele Carbone
 Thurston L. & Clara P. Dutra
 Paul W. & Irene Balboni
 Andrew W. & Adeline Carr
 Alfred J. & Mary C. Charves
 George A. & Josephine Fred
 Donald A. & Virginia Tinkham
 Robert & Thelma M. Baker
 Homer F. & Tekla Halunen
 Walton E. & Lillian Thomasik
 Harold C. & Emma Soule
 Norman E. & Madeline Keenan
 Abraham & Marcia Liberman

Dennis & Blanche Smith
 John & Emily Blackman
 William C. & Miriam Monson
 William J. & Elizabeth F. Boutemain
 Alfred M. & Thelma Chace
 Raymond W. & Barbara Hoard
 Franklin M. & Mary White
 Robert E. & Ida Sumner

Toivo & Ruth Paul
 Curtis T. & Ruth Blake
 Francis J. & Olive M. Houlihan
 Earle B. & Ruth Moorhouse
 Stanley R. & Marguerite Brown
 Elwin L. & Ellen K. Alger
 Harold & Constance Gifford
 Francis A. & Betty Sherman
 Henry J. & Lillian W. Littlejohn
 Richard W. & Mary A. Szwartz
 Roy B. & Muriel Rounseville
 Robert J. & Verna Mae Bumpus
 Milton A. & Ruth Pigeon
 Winston D. & Dorothy G. Choate
 Louis J. & Marion Carpenter
 N. P. & Sophia B. Wilk
 Charles A. & Amy A. Caldwell
 Joseph W. & Jessie M. Young
 John P. & Ellen Johnson
 Henry L. & Doris Locke
 LaForest H. & Alice A. Winters
 Hovenan & Esther Stuart

Leo & Maxine Shaw
 Cyrenus S. & Miriam Koerner
 Warren E. & Alice L. Gale
 Arthur P. & Frances E. Jennings
 Arthur E. & Dorene Whitney
 Henry E. & Eugenia S. Griffith
 Chester C. & Hazel Armour
 Norman A. & Daisy G. Lee

15 Thomas Bartlett Moss
 15 Lincoln LeBaron Maxim
 16 Robert Anthony Frazer
 16 Elizabeth Mary Chioeca
 20 Ernest Merton Jefferson
 20 Joan Cora Washburn
 20 Lee James Pike
 21 Gale Winter Brier
 22 Charlotte Cecelia Barry
 23 Lawrence Putnam Lee
 24 Corrine Amelia Pavao
 24 Marilyn Ann Bernier
 25 Robert Carmen Garafalo
 25 Louis Anthony Gallerani
 28 Dean Emery Brule
 29 Barry McFarlin Atwood

Edward T. & Emily C. Hanson
 Leighton LeB. & Louise Hewitt
 Joseph A. & Eva E. Dutra
 Eugene & Susie Poppolo
 Clarence W. & Florence V. Austin
 Reginald S. & Madeline Goff
 Leander J. & Emily E. Mellugh
 Louis & Olive Purrington
 Raymond E. & Prudence O. Duke
 Charles A. & Doris R. Trefry
 Manuel J. & Marie E. Mello
 Romeo J. & Loretta Martin
 Carmen A. & Lorraine Trinquie
 Vittorio A. & Evelyn Tosi
 Roland J. & Phyllis A. Linton
 Harold W. and Priscilla Barlow

Oct.

5 Harriet Josselyn Martin
 6 Ann Theresa Ditano
 7 David Hale Richmond
 7 William Joseph Thompson
 8 William Cecil Strojny
 11 Jeanette Lee Billings
 11 Donald Ralph Eldridge
 12 Robert Leslie Archer
 12 Henry Charles Govoni
 13 Judith Ann Maranville
 13 Betsy Lou Gates
 15 Peter Mitchell Judge
 18 Carole Anne Rondelli
 19 Donald Francis Fowler
 23 Joanne Hamilton Poole
 24 Theresa Teceno
 25 Ruth Elaine Braley
 27 Richard Alden Adams
 28 Patricia Ann Hyman
 30 ——— Bennett

John J. & Gertrude B. Goodale
 Leonard & Amelia Rose
 Maurice K. & Mary H. Garcia
 Albert G. & Lillian R. Duphily
 Cecil J. & Esther M. Candini
 Lewis E. & Eleanor Buswell
 Roger C. & Carolyn M. Nason
 Robert S. & Edith L. Jackson
 Henry C. & Bertha Martin
 Lloyd H. & Mary E. Perkins
 Harold C. & Ellen G. McCarthy
 John R. & Thurley R. Holden
 Edmund C. & Gladys J. Martenson
 Francis S. & Phyllis E. Boyd
 Bertram A. & Pearl Voorhees
 Joseph & Margaret McCausland
 Waldo A. S. & Leona Hornby
 Edward M. & Evelyn O. Boyce
 Joseph R. & Mary R. Dwyer
 Ovell L. & Elizabeth M. Danner

Nov.

2 Jane Natolie Correia
 3 Paul Alan Jacobs
 4 William Henry Harrison Johnson
 6 Lavinia Gale Bryant
 6 Priscilla Evangeline Pittsley
 8 Beatrice Soucie
 10 Louis Vincent Gomes
 10 Peter Ernest Precourt
 11 Lynette Shockey
 12 Kenneth Treadway Nye
 15 Jacqueline Doris Arruda
 16 George Albert Wilson, Jr.
 17 William Lee Blackburn
 19 Douglas Francis Benson
 22 Leonard Lee Bissonnette
 25 Renee Regina Gaudette
 27 Janice Ardelle Stulpin
 30 Barbara Louise Wilmot

George P. & Juliette A. Farley
 George S. & Lucy L. Wilson
 William H. H. & Elizabeth M. Young
 Elliott & Eleanor M. Cowdrey
 Walter L. & Elizabeth A. Rogers
 Louis & Dorothy Lincoln
 Louis M. & Rose J. Andrade
 Charles E. & Eleanor E. Malaguti
 John A. & Margaret E. Pierce
 Lucius S. & Elizabeth H. Dunn
 Joseph & Thelma Wright
 George A. & Jean M. Desrosiers
 William H. & Louise M. Bassett
 Arthur F. & Doris M. Godbont
 Alvin J. & Melba L. Platt
 William J. & Bertha M. Robidoux
 Zigmund A. & Helen A. Logrien
 James E. W. & Louise A. LeWillie

Dec.

2	Sandra Lee Perkins	Forrest R. & Norma E. Smith
2	David Leigh Nelson	George S. & Corrine M. Kidd
2	Judith Claire Nelson	George S. & Corrine M. Kidd
4	Shannon Brooks Fountain	Gordon W. & Roberta E. Ketchen
7	Gwendolyn Gladys Washburn	Wallace T. & Mildred M. Perry
11	Eleanor Louise Gale	Harry E. & Lillian L. Braley
11	Carroll Tripp Morrison	Carroll T. & Florence L. Vickery
12	Arlie John Halunen	Arlie J. & Loretta I. Cronin
16	———— Tubman	Kenneth & Doris Vicory
18	Robert Sulo Erickson	Sulo & Irene E. Leach
20	Roby Angelina Hirst	Thomas E. & Roby W. Peck
20	Edward John Tomasik, Jr.	Edward J. & Louise M. Long
22	Janet Louise Perry	Michael A. & Marion B. Thomas
26	Joyce Elma Carter	Paul M. & Beatrice E. Hopkins
26	Betty Ann Howes	John B. & Charlotte A. Eddy
26	Gerald David Jennings	Lewis C. & Beulah L. Wood
27	Jean Carey	Albert R. & Eleanor K. Brown

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF
MIDDLEBOROUGH DURING 1938

1938	Name of Bride and Groom	Residence
Jan.		
1	Walter E. Lowes	Salem Depot, N. H.
	Marion A. Dimond	Middleboro
1	George C. Piver	West Bridgewater
	Mary G. Falconeiri	Middleboro
5	Edmund C. Rondelli	Middleboro
	Gladys J. Martenson	Middleboro
7	Lloyd H. Maranville	Middleboro
	Mary E. Perkins	Middleboro
22	Adelbert O. Fuller	Middleboro
	Georgette C. Thomas	Middleboro
29	Andrew Miller, Jr.	Carver
	Adeline Carr	Middleboro
Feb.		
5	Casimer Kirkell	Middleboro
	Grace D. Silveria	West Bridgewater
11	Jeremiah F. Reardon	Brockton
	Augusta Herrett	Brockton
12	Richard E. Benson	Middleboro
	Margaret H. Baker	Middleboro
20	Thomas E. Hirst	Middleboro
	Roby W. Peck	Attleboro
20	Albert A. Scaramelli	Plymouth
	Cecelia Paradis	Middleboro
26	Francis J. Nicholls	Middleboro
	Olive M. V. Houlihan	Middleboro
March		
4	Howard A. Anderson	West Bridgewater
	Jessie M. Place	Middleboro
6	Lester D. Rider	Wareham
	Clara W. Pearce	Middleboro

9	John M. Deane	Middleboro
	Eva A. Hatch	East Bridgewater
19	Elliot F. Bryant	Middleboro
	Eleanor M. Cowdrey	Middleboro
19	Carmen A. Garafalo	Middleboro
	Lorraine M. Trinqu	Brockton
19	Loren M. Littlefield	Middleboro
	Sadic M. Chace	Middleboro
24	Clarence W. Jefferson	Bridgewater
	Florence B. Austin	Middleboro
26	Ruel E. Thomas	Plymouth
	Mary A. Marshall	Plymouth

April

8	Robert G. Howard	Middleboro
	G. Audrey Weeman	Middleboro
14	Paul M. Carter	Middleboro
	Beatrice E. Hopkins	Middleboro
15	Warren D. Harding	Bridgewater
	Helen M. Nielsen	Middleboro
17	Leonard A. Collucci	Avon
	Geneva Teceno	Middleboro
22	Malcolm Pittlsey	Taunton
	Mary Houlihan	Middleboro
23	Zigmond Wytrwal	Providence, R. I.
	Bertha Stoy	Warwick, R. I.
23	Harold J. Donner	Middleboro
	Laura E. Holmes	Carver

May

1	Harmon P. Ward	Middleboro
	Eda E. Rundstrom	Everett
4	Edgar H. Pinnex	Washington, D. C.
	Elizabeth J. Macdonald	Hartford, Conn.
14	Edward S. Irving	Bridgewater
	Mary E. Parker	Middleboro
21	Manuel T. Michael	Middleboro
	Tulvie V. Lindsey	Middleboro
21	Edgar C. Thibault	Middleboro
	Margaret M. Mackie	Middleboro
27	Vincent A. Galfre	Lakeville
	Eleanor E. Dill	Lakeville

June

2	Edward J. Tomasik	Rochester
	Louise M. Long	Middleboro
3	Roger B. Wall	Middleboro
	Elnora A. DeMoranville	Middleboro
4	Robert V. Freed	Middleboro
	Muriel E. Priestley	Plymouth
4	Albert W. Freeman	Middleboro
	Mildred E. Caldwell	Marion
9	Louis M. Gomes	Middleboro
	Rose Andrade	Carver
11	Harland F. Erickson	Lakeville
	Myrtle F. Darling	Lakeville
18	Waino Wainio	Carver
	Pearl F. Jackson	Middleboro

18	Charles E. L. Cabral	Middleboro
	Josephine A. Barros	Middleboro
19	Frank Casieri	Brockton
	Carmelina Penna	Middleboro
19	Emil Barta	Middleboro
	Charlotte L. Kelly	Middleboro
21	Edward A. Freeman	Middleboro
	Myra E. Fuller	Middleboro
24	Patrick J. Coyne, Jr.	Middleboro
	L. Elizabeth McLaughlin	Middleboro
25	Ernest W. Benton	Middleboro
	Irene J. Black	Middleboro
25	Henry C. Walker, Jr.	Middleboro
	Alice B. Guild	Middleboro
26	Howard M. Pierce	Rochester
	Christine E. Gray	Yarmouth
27	Emile E. Savard	Middleboro
	Marie Picard	Lowell
29	Lawrence E. Thayer	Middleboro
	Mavis L. Foster	Eastondale

July

1	George O. Donner	Middleboro
	Elizabeth H. Brown	Halifax
2	Henry A. Brown	Bourne
	Lillian T. Whipple	Bourne
2	Russell G. Hollis	Middleboro
	Caroline Madden	Middleboro
2	Joseph Maleski	Middleboro
	Ruth E. Paun	Middleboro
3	Harold S. Peck	Lakeville
	Hazel L. Long	Middleboro
3	Roger A. Tinkham	Middleboro
	Dorothy E. Wyman	Brockton
7	William C. Barden	Middleboro
	Mildred F. Oglesby	Middleboro
9	Edward Roberts	New Bedford
	Avis King Poole	Acushnet
10	Napoleon J. DesRosiers	Middleboro
	Nellie DesRosiers	Middleboro
10	Hyman Berman	Middleboro
	Lillian Rubin	Middleboro
10	Rosario L. Bernier	Middleboro
	Blanche L. Lucier	Brockton
14	George M. Danks	Middleboro
	Corinne M. Cushman	Middleboro
22	Albert J. Robichaud	Middleboro
	Gladys C. Turner	Middleboro
23	Maurice W. Scanlon	Middleboro
	Nellie E. Burt	South Weymouth
23	Vincent A. Foster	Middleboro
	Ruth F. Coman	Middleboro
30	Cecil W. Gibbs	Middleboro
	Helen Dottridge	Cotuit
31	Alfred D. Besegai	Plymouth
	Hilda A. Mello	Middleboro

Aug.

5	Norman E. Poirier	Middleboro
	France A. Millette	Middleboro
6	Leslie G. Maranville	Middleboro
	Annie N. Anternoits	Middleboro
14	Leon F. Anderson	North Rochester
	Dorothy R. Keyes	Middleboro

Sept.

1	William W. L. Tallman	Middleboro
	Esther Borden	Middleboro
2	Leon E. Newcomb	Middleboro
	Bertha L. Chapman	Taunton
2	Raymond Carr	Middleboro
	Barbara Pearce	Middleboro
3	Peter Francis Penna	Middleboro
	Claire Constance Casieri	Brockton
3	Gabriel J. Viera	Taunton
	Madeline M. Howe	Middleboro
4	John A. Vickery	Middleboro
	Myrtle A. Appleby	Middleboro
5	Reginald A. Chandler	New Bedford
	Mary Elizabeth Blouin	Middleboro
6	Francis C. Shaw	Middleboro
	Olive Margaret Clark	Middleboro
8	William J. McNally	Providence, R. I.
	Edith A. Thurston	Central Falls, R. I.
10	Nehemiah Waine	New Bedford
	Amy E. Curtis	New Bedford
14	William S. Kenniston	Middleboro
	Florence I. Lakin	Middleboro
18	Philip A. Greene	Middleboro
	Evelyn C. Peterson	Brockton
19	Roger C. Griswold	Duxbury
	Helen J. McAloney	Somerville
21	Josef Seiberlich	Brookline
	Lucy B. Jones	Cambridge
24	Napoleon J. Blouin	Middleboro
	Arleen A. Mayhew	Middleboro
24	Herbert H. Thomas	Lakeville
	Roberta M. Provonche	Middleboro
25	James W. Harrison	Cambridge
	Bertha M. Young	Cambridge
28	George H. Spaulding	Lakeville
	Bertha J. Lund	Lakeville
30	Willard L. Baker	Middleboro
	Cora B. Place	Middleboro

Oct.

1	Henry E. Zion	Middleboro
	Louise A. Morini	Plymouth
5	Tauno Erickson	Middleboro
	Lillian A. Crawford	New York City
5	Percy A. Irving	Bridgewater
	Lenora M. Springer	Bridgewater

8	Clarence M. Marshall Doris Dionne	Middleboro Carver
11	John F. Texeira Beatrice L. White	Middleboro Middleboro
12	Joseph L. Sinoski Mary N. Cronan	Middleboro New Bedford
15	Abraham J. Delory Mary E. Silvia	Middleboro Middleboro
22	Ralph McIlvana Alice Guidoboni	Plympton Middleboro
29	Daniel L. Gurney Blanche L. Carr	Middleboro Middleboro
29	Roland L. Theroux Margaret T. McConaghy	Pawtucket, R. I. Pawtucket, R. I.
30	James G. Dainis Antosie J. Luzaitis	Middleboro Cambridge
Nov.		
5	Wendell S. Marshall Mary MacLean	Middleboro Roxbury
11	Meddio Rondelli Dorothy Kinsman	Middleboro Middleboro
24	Albert A. Mindel Mildred I. Kessler	Middleboro Boston
24	Herbert H. Parker Dorothy B. Bump	Middleboro Middleboro
24	Theodore F. Bump Gwendolyn V. Taylor	Middleboro Abington
24	Francis J. Huxley Marion Wilson	Middleboro Bridgewater
24	Joseph F. Sagesta Cecilia B. Hannon	Middleboro Fall River
26	Joseph F. Caparello Gertrude E. Hoffman	Halifax Halifax
26	Paul E. Gallagher Jeannette H. Twarog	Middleboro Lakeville
30	Alphonse St. Don Thelma Reynolds	Lakeville Lakeville
Dec.		
6	Joseph C. Osborne Edith M. Griswold	Middleboro Middleboro
6	Leslie B. Washburn Ruth G. Wilbur	New Bedford Middleboro
21	Philip H. Smith Dorothy J. Hulley	Middleboro Middleboro
31	Chester G. Wrightington Mildred Shaw	Middleboro Middleboro
31	James H. Casey Mildred A. Gatie	Middleboro Providence
31	Clarence M. Wixon Theresa R. Silva	Middleboro Middleboro
31	Edward J. Brown Clarisse LeVasseur	Middleboro New Bedford

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF
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Date				
1938				
Jan.		Yrs.	Mos.	Days
4	Frank M. Conant	49	0	0
6	Andrew J. Pasztor	73	10	23
7	Hattie M. White	67	4	3
9	Marshall P. Burgess	87	10	29
14	John Silveira	77	0	0
14	Manja Lobl	46	9	0
17	Mary S. Cromwell	50	8	18
24	Percy W. Keith	75	9	15
24	Chloe D. Swift	84	0	0
Feb.				
5	Charles A. Englested	80	8	16
6	Ada E. Hollis	79	6	0
7	Martha W. Austin	72	8	12
13	John Clements	85	0	0
15	Charles Sweeney	76	3	0
16	Mary S. Holmes	85	7	10
20	Henry H. Wilcox	69	4	7
20	William H. Thomas	84	3	8
23	Medella J. McFarlin	79	7	19
23	Arabella Bourne	87	8	8
25	Charles N. Atwood	93	8	3
March				
3	John H. Thompson	80	0	0
10	Evelyn F. Gibbs	83	10	19
12	Emma F. Keyes	62	5	0
12	Emma J. Sparrow	81	4	8
12	Lillian Jane Britton	78	0	12
13	Allerton Caswell	0	0	22
20	Dura T. Weston	96	9	20
24	Kathryn Matheson	30	0	0
26	Josephine E. White	48	9	21
28	Ernest D. Dart	63	7	12
28	Leslie G. Aller	33	8	6
29	Anna A. Southworth	95	4	3
31	Edwin H. Phinney	57	10	20
April				
1	Frank F. Kinsman	51	0	5
5	William Schnitzler	67	3	16
6	Samuel W. Frederickson	32	1	10

13	Charles Bruso	4	9	17
16	Herbert S. Sylvester	68	9	28
18	Frank A. Roberts	74	11	20
21	John C. Boynton	87	6	21
23	Rolinda F. Sparrow	83	10	17
24	Sidney R. Leggee	10	6	16
27	Bridget Falconeri	82	8	0
May				
1	Debius E. Jones	83	0	0
3	Louis C. Littlejohn	53	10	18
3	George E. Doane	83	10	23
6	Nelson F. Manter	79	4	7
9	Elizabeth B. LeBaron	83	6	2
11	Ida I. Goodell	79	3	4
12	Lorenzo W. Rice	66	0	19
12	Eldoretta T. McFarlin	84	9	26
13	John W. Cole	77	6	2
14	Peter Zutautas	55	0	0
14	Frances E. Canfield	38	0	1
16	Henrietta A. Spencer	82	0	13
17	Emma N. Carter	86	9	24
20	Leon B. Farrington	67	0	0
24	Maria A. Maddigan	71	10	20
25	———— Girard	0	0	1 hr.
26	Charles E. Endres	73	8	22
27	A. Gerald Smith	71	7	24
June				
2	Ida Rundecker	79	7	11
4	Annie M. Morris	86	1	9
4	Leonard D. Harlow	87	7	12
5	Henry Young	64	0	0
8	James E. Leggee	93	0	12
10	George P. Lincoln	86	2	1
13	Wayne M. Freeman	69	9	27
20	Anders E. Larsen	56	11	12
July				
3	Mary E. Howard	60	2	22
4	William J. Huxley	52	4	29
6	Lovell W. Frost	82	8	23
8	Nellie S. Godfrey	68	1	28
10	Catherine Boardman	69	0	0
17	Ellen R. Thomas	74	0	0
18	Drusilla B. Cushman	79	7	6
22	Annie A. LeBaron	79	8	23
22	Mary A. Devitt	82	10	10
25	Ralph Scarpati	4	1	22

Aug.

2	Anna C. Finan	49	10	7
4	David R. Pierce	65	3	3
4	Francis J. Maddigan	38	8	18
8	Leonard A. Baker	56	7	11
14	Charles Baker	76	11	28
15	Wilford D. Perkins	58	0	0
17	Gerard U. Millette	17	0	0
24	Phoebe J. Clark	67	4	14
27	Joseph Cleveland	22	6	25
29	Frederick W. Eldridge	52	2	2

Sept.

3	Peter Gasunus	58	0	0
5	Wilson G. Harlow	60	4	12
8	John McAnerney	78	0	0
9	Charles F. Boardman	47	0	0
11	Ezra A. Pittsley	94	6	29
11	Mercie T. Downey	81	11	13
13	Elizabeth B. Thomas	89	2	30
21	Frances A. Atwood	82	7	4
21	Lydia E. Braley	59	4	24
26	Charles H. Tripp	57	10	9
27	Horace L. Shelton	54	5	8
30	Swift N. Long	85	9	22

Oct.

1	Joseph Weisbaum	52	0	0
1	Michael H. Crowley	76	3	2
2	Howard Drake	66	2	13
7	Joseph P. DiMeranda	75	1	0
8	Naham L. Hall	58	11	29
12	Amelia S. Ditano	45	0	0
12	Janice C. Trinke	0	3	7
12	Pauline C. Cushman	35	9	3
16	Charles H. Burnham	53	1	27
17	Annie L. Simpson	78	4	27
20	Frank M. Orcutt	67	0	0
21	Ethel M. Westgate	0	0	2
23	Osmond A. Pells	67	5	1
26	Clara M. Thomas	81	2	12
27	John B. Gagnon	51	4	3
27	Ada E. Jost	76	8	4
30	Angeline B. Tinkham	73	1	15
31	Robert E. Bisbee	87	0	20

Nov.

4	Anthony Chiuppi	17	1	11
5	Alfred T. Edwards	59	0	12
6	Grace M. Wilbur	59	5	24
6	Harold R. Maddox	48	0	18
7	Ida E. Hackett	61	7	13
9	Florence M. Jenkins	32	3	25
11	George H. Higgins	63	7	12
12	Ida L. Magoon	75	3	5
16	Warren E. Lovell	74	7	30
17	James Hammerton	80	9	12
17	Frederick A. Clark	71	1	13
28	———— Tribby	0	0	6 hrs.
29	Minnie M. McCrillis	67	10	5
29	Mary F. Sheehan	71	11	13
29	Bessie Glover	62	7	5
30	Alton C. Hall	66	11	22
30	Catherine A. Quigley	68	4	0

Dec.

3	Henry Earle	71	7	1
5	Emily A. Burgess	75	1	22
7	Caleb F. Davis	91	1	5
9	Maude W. Morse	62	0	0
9	Julia A. Harrington	67	2	9
10	Thomas S. Phinney	92	1	9
13	Albert A. Penniman	79	7	12
18	William H. Weeman	63	6	29
18	Louis Poitras	70	6	23
22	Merrick H. Osgood	81	10	7
23	Sarah S. Cobb	84	2	12

Total Births—Delayed Returns	9
1938 Births	188
1938 Marriages	118
1938 Deaths	147

Respectfully submitted,

WALDO S. THOMAS,

Town Clerk.

REGISTRARS' REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 1938

Meetings of the Board were held before each election. New registrations were added and because of deaths, marriages, and removals, quite a number of names were deducted from the list.

The present registration is as follows:—

	Males	Females	Total
Precinct 1	176	144	320
Precinct 2	1959	1843	3802
Precinct 3	285	234	519
	2420	2221	4641

Signed,

WALDO S. THOMAS

Clerk of Board.

ELECTION OFFICERS

1938-1939

PRECINCT 1

Warden
Deputy Warden
Clerk
Deputy Clerk
Inspector
Inspector
Deputy Inspector
Deputy Inspector

Bert J. Allan
William Lewis
Anna Gamache
Andrew P. Campbell, Jr.
Harold M. Pratt
Stella Fickert
Maurice J. Guerin
Joseph Hiltz

PRECINCT 2

Warden
Deputy Warden
Clerk
Deputy Clerk
Inspector
Inspector
Deputy Inspector
Deputy Inspector

Ralph W. Maddigan
William Keenan, Jr.
Frank S. Thomas
Esther M. Robidoux
Louis Cole
Frank Diotte
Arthur Massicotte
Luke F. Callan

PRECINCT 3

Warden
Deputy Warden
Clerk
Deputy Clerk
Inspector
Inspector
Deputy Inspector
Deputy Inspector

Harlas L. Cushman
Leslie N. Woodward
Ellen C. Gallagher
Joseph M. Duphily
Henry C. Walker, Jr.
Susan M. Brackett
Henry J. Kean
Charles G. Swenning

JURY LIST

July 1st, 1938 to July 1st, 1939

<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Occupation</i>
Alden, Albert	49 Courtland St.	Produc. Mgr.
Anderson, Burnett E.	27 Webster St.	Merchant
Bailey, Harold C.	10 Webster St.	Garage Mgr.
Barden, William C.	10 Barden Hill Rd.	Merchant
Beckman, Walter	19 Oak St.	Shoeworker
Begley, Edward A.	30 Webster St.	Merchant
Bell, Charles E.	8 Everett St.	Laborer
Bemis, Edson M.	33 Bourne St.	Salesman
Bissonnette, J. Adrien	152 Pierce St.	Merchant
Boehme, William M.	14 Coombs St.	Shoeworker
Bourgeois, Anatole	99 Sproat St.	Mechanic
Boutin, John B.	Miller St.	Mechanic
Brett, Sylvanus L.	7 Courtland St.	Garage
Briggs, Clyde A.	20 Forest St.	Laborer
Brooks, John W. Jr.	Plymouth St.	Grocer
Brown, Edward J. Jr.	Bedford St.	Road Con.
Burgess, David W.	241 Centre St.	Supervisor
Burnett, Theron D.	12 Clifford Street.	Salesman
Carter, George T.	27 Lovell St.	Shoeworker
Casey, Raymond E.	122 Arch St.	Carpenter
Caswell, Arthur B.	26 Jackson St.	Shoeworker
Champlin, Dalton A.	10 Forest St.	Merchant
Cerda, Arthur L.	9 Rock St.	Student
Clark, Charles B.	North St.	Garage
Corti, Joseph J.	Plymouth St.	Shoeworker
Costa, Joseph	20 Hillside Av.	R. R. Empl.
Crapo, William H.	67 School St.	Retired
Curley, William H.	1 Alden St.	Salesman
Cushing, Ralph B.	21 High St.	Clerk
Cushman, Earl B.	Plymouth St.	Farmer
Deane, Abial F.	29 Forest St.	Plumber
DaCosta, Frederick W.	Wall St.	Insurance Agent
Diotte, Frank	45 Arch St.	Merchant
Donner, George A.	North St.	Salesman
Doty, Chester A.	137 Pierce St.	Night Watchman
Drake, Reginald W.	171 Pierce St.	Insurance Agent
Drew, Elmer O.	24 Forest St.	Merchant
Dunham, Arthur H.	Bedford St.	Poultryman
Dupont, George N.	4 Alden St.	Merchant
Eayrs, Walter G.	3 Rice St.	Painter
Erickson, A Victor	Wood St.	Shoeworker
Fickert, Alfred H.	Plymouth St.	Farmer
Fickert, Charles R.	10 Myrtle St.	Shoeworker
Gagnon, John B.	E. Main St.	Mechanic
Gates, Earl F.	71 South Main St.	Retired
Glidden, James R.	18 High St.	Merchant
Goodale, Robert P.	141 South Main St.	Civil Engineer
Griffith, Horace G.	Plympton St.	Clerk
Guerin, Maurice J.	Pleasant St.	Shoeworker
Harlow, Adnah H.	11 West Grove St.	Salesman
Harlow, Horace W.	333 Wareham St.	Mechanic
Harris, Clarence E.	Everett St.	Shoeworker

Jacobs, William G. L.	Plymouth St.	Supervisor
Hale, Everett L.	32 North St.	Distr. Mgr.
Hanscom, Matthew W.	Plymouth St.	Poultryman
Hathaway, George L.	111 So. Main St.	Clerk
Heath, Albert M.	249 Centre St.	Shoeworker
Hegarty, Everett N.	46 Forest St.	Manager
Hiltz, Joseph H.	Clay St.	Carpenter
Hinckley, Richard G.	212 North Main St.	Jeweler
Hokanson, Sven	Wareham St.	Tailor
Hopkins, Chester A.	7 Mayflower Av.	Retired
Holmes, Charles E.	Miller St.	Laborer
Houlihan, James E.	48 Montello St.	Insurance Agent
Johnston, John D.	331 Pierce St.	Salesman
Keenan, William A.	122 Arch St.	Shoeworker
Keyes, Wilfred S.	35 School St.	Shoeworker
Lang, Edward S.	53 Arch St.	Clerk
Lang, Fred	8 Pearl St.	Merchant
LeBaron, William E.	Wareham St.	Mechanic
Marshall, Wendell S.	Spencer St.	Real Est.
Matheson, Roderick G.	91 Oak St.	Printer
Martin, John J.	26 Webster St.	Clerk
McClellan, George B.	13 R. Elm	R. R. Employee
McMahon, William J.	43 Arch St.	Shoeworker
McQuade, James F.	28 Pearl St.	Candy Maker
Nickerson, Ralph O.	Plymouth St.	Shoeworker
Nourse, Ralph E.	Bedford St.	Shoeworker
Paradise, Wilfred H.	32 Frank St.	Shoeworker
Pearson, Arthur B.	348 Wareham St.	R. R. Employee
Pendleton, Roy	Smith St.	Teamer
Perkins, George H.	29 West St.	Shoeworker
Perkins, Herbert C.	40 School St.	Salesman
Pickard, Emil L.	23 Lovell St.	R. R. Employee
Pratt, Harold M.	Pleasant St.	Retired
Purdon, George B.	25 Oak St.	R. R. Employee
Pushee, John H.	Wood Street	Farmer
Rondelli, Henry	76 Everett St.	Shoeworker
Remillard, Ovilla J.	42 Montello St.	Carpenter
Rice, John B.	47 Courtland St.	W.P.A.
Rose, William V.	40 Forest Street	Salesman
Rosen, Frank	14 Washburn St.	Shoeworker
Ryder, Ralph E.	Plymouth St.	Carpenter
Santin, John F.	81 Everett St.	Janitor
Shuman, Wilfred	44 School St.	Foreman
Snow, Marshall A.	21 Oak St.	Electrician
Souza, Alfred M.	42 Wareham St.	Barber
St. Amand, August Jr.	Warren Av.	Laborer
Standish, Forest B.	8 Crossman Av.	Shoeworker
Standish, Walter I.	Woodlawn St.	Shoeworker
Sukeforth, William L.	966 Centre St.	Gas Station
Thomas, Bradford I.	7 Warren Av.	Shoeworker
Washburn, Kenneth J.	6 Fairview St.	Shoeworker
Wilbur, Alden D.	Wareham St.	Clerk
Williams, Harold A.	12 Courtland St.	Merchant
Wilmot, James J.	Plymouth St.	Painter
Wood, Harold S.	37 Oak St.	Manager
Woodward, Leslie M.	Benson St.	Accountant
Lynde, Elwyn B.	123 South Main St.	Retired
Long, Samuel F.	North St.	Mechanic

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

For the Year Ending December 31, 1938

Number of Males licensed	595
Number of Females licensed	92
Number of Spayed Females licensed	141
Number of Kennels	1
Number of Duplicates	19
Number Dogs picked up	87
Number Dogs sold	2
Number Dogs killed	85

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. HEWITT,
Dog Officer.

REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Honorable Board of Selectmen
Middleboro, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith present the annual report of the Town Manager, together with the reports of the various department heads.

Due to the increased expenditures by State Departments an increase of 75% is expected in the amount apportioned to the Town of Middleboro for State taxes for 1939. This in round figures comes to approximately \$44,000, and is an increase of \$32,000 over the amount that the Assessors estimated for 1938.

The work on the high tension line from Tremont to the sub-station on Wareham Street is progressing rapidly, the right-of-way clearing has been completed and the construction contract is about to be started.

Attempts are being made to keep the Sponsor's contributions as low as possible on W.P.A. projects for next year. Along these lines we are contemplating building heavy masonry walls of field stone along the narrow portions of roads and over culverts and bridges. Also we are contemplating a general Building Repair project to take care of all town buildings. Should these projects be approved, a considerable saving would be made on these two accounts.

I have investigated the Insurance costs on the town buildings and it appears that a considerable saving can be made at this time in premiums. I plan to rearrange the Insurance schedule and attempt to have a lower rate for next year.

I believe an attempt should be made to stabilize the tax rate by drawing upon the E & D account during such times as the expenditures are large and the condition of the E & D account would allow such drafts.

I recommend that no new expensive construction be attempted until such time as we can bring about a condition of a stabilized and low tax rate.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. PETERSON,
Town Manager.

WATER DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Middleboro, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The work for the year 1938 consisted of operating and maintaining the existing system along with the renewal and installation of services.

The repairing of meters has taken considerably more than ordinary time due to the fact that a large portion of the meters now in use are old and worn out, thus requiring a great deal of careful work to bring their operation with allowable and reasonable tolerances.

Pumping Station

The Pumping Station has been operated efficiently with the present installation of machinery. However the efficiency of the stand by unit can be increased by making repairs to the condenser unit.

The repairs to the buildings have been made by the engineers thus helping reduce the maintenance cost of the station.

During the next year it is contemplated to recharge the coke filter which will materially increase the clarity of the water.

The new storage tank of 250,000 gal. capacity was put into operation and has proven to be one of the much needed additions to the pumping station plant.

Recommendations

Due to the fact that a large portion of the meters now installed are worn and require constant checking I believe an appropriation should be made each year until all these old meters are replaced. These replacements would as a whole increase the revenue of the department because of the elimination of meter stoppages in which case the consumption must be estimated.

The present system is now supplied from a well which is not an adequate supply for more than normal consumption demands. Due to this condition the town should seriously consider the construction of new wells which would supply a constant flow and which would be adequate for not only ordinary consumption but for fire fighting purposes.

The water going through the plant under the present system of filters receives only charcoal and sand filtration treatment. Consideration should be given to the installation of means for treating the water chemically, thus protecting the supply from any possible contamination.

I recommend that the department be set up so that it be self supporting and still provide for the depreciation of the plant and the system.

After the department is placed on a self supporting basis an item of new main extensions should be set up and the system extended to sections which show revenue to warrant the new construction. However before any new extension is contemplated I believe that the pumping station should be capable of supplying, if the necessity arises, at least three thousand gals. per minute where the present filters can only furnish one thousand gals. per minute.

The steam boilers which now furnish steam for the stand by units should be eliminated and either gasoline or diesel engines be connected to the present stand by units.

The pumping station should be directly connected with the substation on Wareham Street thus allowing the station to be operated electrically whereas at present the power must go through the center of the town before reaching the station on Grove Street. This arrangement would eliminate the danger of the station being without power in case a large fire in the center of the town destroyed the present feeders.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD C. PETERSON,

Town Manager.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1938

Population by census of 1935—8865. Date of construction—1885. By whom owned—Town of Middleboro. Source of supply—well south of village near Nemasket River. Mode of supply—pumped direct overflow to stand-pipe.

Pumping Statistics—Machinery

1. 1—700 G. P. M. Electrically Driven Goulds Low Lift Filter Supply
 1—735 G. P. M. Turbine Driven DeLaval Low Lift Filter Supply
 1—900 G. P. M. Electrically Driven Goulds High Lift Mains
 1—700 G. P. M. Turbine Driven Goulds High Lift Mains
 2—54" Mass. Std. R. T. Boilers 125 lbs. Pressure
2. Description of fuel used:
 - (a) Electric power for main units
 - (b) Bituminous coal for auxiliary units
 - (c) Price per K.W.H.—average \$.0198
 - (d) Average price of coal per net ton, delivered \$8.35
 - K.W.H. consumed for the year:
 - (a) Main pump 159,432
 - (b) Filter pump 31,680
3. Coal consumed for the year, heat and power, lbs. 55,305
4. Total pumpage for the year, passed through meters, gals. 107,130,000
5. Average static head against which pump works, in feet 295
6. Average dynamic head against which pump works, in feet 300
7. Number of gallons pumped per K.W.H.—Main pump only 656.6
8. Duty equals gallons pumped (4) Less
 *x8.34 lbs. x 100 x dynamic
 head (6) divided by total
 K.W.H. Consumed by main
 pump 164,303,210
9. Cost of pumping figured on Pumping Station expenses \$10,179.21
10. Per million gallons pumped \$95.13
11. Per million gallons raised one foot dynamic 0.317
 *Of total amount 2,433,000 gallons were pumped by steam.

Statistics of Consumption of Water

1. Total population, 1935 Census	8,865
2. Estimated population on lines of pipe	5,925
3. Estimated population supplied	5,470
4. Total Consumption for the year, gallons	107,130,000
5. Passed through meters, gallons	84,687,000
6. Percentage of consumption, metered	79.05
7. Average daily consumption, gallons	293,507
8. Gallons per day to each inhabitant	49
9. Gallons per day to each consumer	54
10. Gallons per day to each tap	206
11. Cost of supplying water per million gallons, figured on total maintenance	\$69.61
12. Total cost of supplying water per million gallons, figured on total maintenance plus interest on bonds and bonds	\$112.69

Statistics Relating to Distribution System

MAINS

1. Kind of pipe—cast iron, wrought iron	
2. Sizes—1 inch to 16 inches	
3. Extended during year, feet	0
4. Total now in use, miles	27.46
5. Length of pipe less 4 in. in diameter, miles	.105
6. Number of hydrants in use	206
7. Number of blow offs	11
8. Range of pressure on mains	84–120

SERVICES

9. Kind of pipe—wrought iron, cement lined, cast iron	
10. Sizes— $\frac{1}{2}$ inch to 6 inches	
11. Extended, feet	874
12. Total now in use, miles	16.301
13. Number of service taps added	15
14. Number of service taps discontinued	3
15. Number now in use	1426
16. Average length of service, feet	60.36
17. Number of meters added	11
18. Number of meters now in use	1356
19. Percent of services metered	98
20. Percent of receipts from metered water	99

Total Length of Main Pipe

16 in.	12 in.	10 in.	8 in.	6 in.	4 in.
400	13,204.9	17,919	21,873.5	74,419.2	14,615.2
2 in.		$1\frac{1}{2}$ in.		1 in.	
2,510.7		40.0		4.6	
Total—144,988					

Total length of miles	27.46
Number of hydrants added, 0	206
Number of Main Gates added, 0	301
Number of blowoffs added,	11
Service connections made, 15	1426
Number of services now taking water	1370
Feet of service pipe put in during the year	874

Feet of service pipe within street lines						39,793
Meters set during the year						11
Meters now in use						1356
	$\frac{5}{8}$ in.	$\frac{1}{2}$ in.	$\frac{3}{4}$ in.	1 in.	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ in	2 in.
American	322		1	3		
Trident	240	.....	..	1	.....	.....
Lambert	205	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Worthington	145	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hersey	313	1	2	7	4	5
Federal	74	.....	..	3	.....	.....
Nash	6	.....	1	1	.....	.....
Keystone	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Empire	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....
Crown	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
	1321	1	5	16	4	6

RAINFALL AND TEMPERATURE RECORD, 1938

Month	Temperature, Degrees			Precipitation in Inches	
	Highest	Lowest	Mean	Rain and Melted Snow	Snowfall
January	57	-10	26.7	4.14	16 $\frac{3}{8}$
February	53	3	30.94	2.95	12 $\frac{3}{4}$
March	76	2	38.24	2.41	1 $\frac{3}{8}$
April	87	17	47.9	2.69	
May	79	30	54.27	3.63	
June	89	41	65.	8.44	
July	97	47	71.48	6.52	
August	94 $\frac{1}{2}$	42	66.75	1.70	
September	83	34	60.73	5.80	
October	87	29	53.8	2.93	
November	75	5	43.96	3.65	7
December	58	5	32.6	4.08	1 $\frac{7}{8}$
Totals					
				48.94	39 $\frac{3}{8}$
Mean for the Year			49.46		
-Below Zero					

RALPH SAMPSON,
Official Observer.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—WATER DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Metered Rates	\$22,838.78
Broken Hydrant	67.72
Interest and Repairs	2,683.07
Service Connections	174.44
Claims	13.23
Liens	23.32
New Meter	65.00
Total Water Department	<u>\$25,865.56</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries and Wages	
Clerk	\$445.25
Pumping Station Engineer	1,820.00
Assistant Engineers	2,197.00
Meter Man	1,380.60
Foreman	1,627.60
Wages—Employees	2,082.99
Expenses	
Equipment	603.04
Truck	112.90
Pipe — Fittings	441.75
All Other	35.67
Administration	
Stationery — Postage	49.54
Printing — Advertising	14.60
Telephone	118.38
Insurance	536.32
Pumping Station	
Coal — Power	4,128.82
Repair Buildings	59.71
Filters	1,919.94
All Other—Repairs Turbine	53.74
Interest — Notes	4,610.00
	<u>\$22,237.85</u>
Sand Filter Unit—Special Appro.	18,847.69
	<u>\$41,085.54</u>

PUMPING STATION RECORD 1938

Main Pumps Time Pumping Electric, Steam				Total Coal Used, Pounds				Time Pumping Filter Supply				Daily Average	K.W.H. Used	Filter Pump	Daily Average
Hours	Minutes	Hours	Minutes	Hours	Minutes	Power	Station Heater	Hours	Minutes	Hours	Minutes				
January	154	50										77.2	2,395		77.2
February	132	35										75.2	2,107		75.2
March	151	25										82.4	2,556		82.4
April	146	15										93.8	2,815		93.8
May	156	50										89.4	2,772		89.4
June	156											90.6	2,720		90.6
July	177	40										94.9	2,943		94.9
August	172											91.2	2,827		91.2
September	147	10										83.	2,490		83.
October	171	10										90.	2,792		90.
November	161	40										88.1	2,643		88.1
December	152	30										84.5	2,620		84.5
Totals	1880	5	77	45				3104	45				31,680		
Daily Averages			.5	21								436			86.8

Greatest number of gallons pumped in 24 hours, 628,000 gallons, July 2.

Least number of gallons pumped in 24 hours, 197,000 gallons, June 19.

Of total pumpage, 2,433,000 gallons were pumped by auxiliary steam pump.

RALPH SAMPSON, Engineer.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the 1938 Report of the Highway Department.

About the usual amount of maintenance of our gravel roads was taken care of, and we also put a coating of gravel on parts of Sachem, Cherry and Plymouth Streets.

Brush was cut on several of our outside roads and special attention was given to clearing brush from the cross road corners.

All of our gravel roads were scraped twice, and some of the heavier traveled roads were scraped three or four times during the year.

Oiling

Center Street from Everett Street to Combridge Street had the Railroad ties removed and a coat of gravel put on, then rolled and shaped and treated with Tarvia, making a much needed improvement. Vaughan Street for a distance of 2376 ft. was shaped and rolled and treated with Tarvia. Parts of Summer, Plymouth, So. Main, Lane, Keith, Spruce and Fuller Streets were treated with asphalt and sand. Part of East Main, Plymouth, Carmel and Cherry Streets were treated with Tarvia Retread and covered with coarse material, then scraped with a light grader and rolled. This is a new method that has been developed in the past year and proves very satisfactory. Wareham Street from the four-corners to the Electric Light Station was treated with Tarvia Retread and honed and rolled.

East Street was relocated, graveled, then rolled, and a top coating of fine gravel was put on to which was applied Tarvia, then it was mixed in place and graded and rolled, after which the top was sealed. This process of construction was also used on Wood Street from E. Grove Street to the Railroad Bridge, also a cement island was placed at the junction of these streets.

This new mixed in place method costs somewhat more than the older type of gravel treatment but results have proved it to be much more satisfactory, as the treated gravel is 3 inches in thickness against the penetration method of 1 to 1½ inches of black top.

In our oiling program we used 5,735 gal. Tarvia B, 33,046 gal. Tarvia Retread and 12,234 gal. of Asphalt this year.

Patching

Careful consideration was given to early spring patching as the surface fractures get large very quickly due to more and faster traffic. In this work we used 7,140 gal. patching compound.

Sidewalks

Very little maintenance was required this year as the W. P. A. are still doing good work constructing new sidewalks over most of the town, and some outside.

Hurricane

The hurricane of September 21st kept our department and the Moth Department busy all night and for several days after, clearing the highways of trees blown across them by the wind.

Sewers

About the usual number of stoppages were corrected and new services put into five buildings. Catch basins were all cleaned, some of them twice.

Snow and Ice

We were obliged to plow seven storms this year and icy conditions were cared for by our sanding crew many times through the winter.

Plympton Street

Our department started work on this street under Chapter 90 and accomplished considerable work despite the fact that we were not allowed to start until late in the Fall, but work will continue in this section just as soon as it is possible to operate in the Spring.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL F. ANDERSON,
Supt. Highway Department.

MIDDLEBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT OF THE CHIEF

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

I herewith present for your consideration the seventeenth annual report of the Chief of the Middleboro Fire Department, for the year ending December 31, 1938, in accordance with Section 16 of Chapter 592, Acts of 1920.

Apparatus

Engine No. 1

Maxim 500 gallon pump, purchased June 28, 1920.

Engine No. 2

Maxim 1000 gallon pump, purchased April 23, 1928

Engine No. 3

Maxim 500 gallon pump with 200 gallon water tank purchased March 29, 1934.

Engine No. 4

Maxim 750 gallon centrifugal pump purchased March 29, 1934.

Ladder No. 1

Maxim city service ladder truck purchased October 11, 1915.

Organization

The personnel of the department as of December 31, 1938, is as follows:

- 1 Permanent Chief
- 1 Permanent Deputy Chief
- 5 Call Captains
- 8 Permanent Drivers
- 40 Call Men
- 10 Substitute Call Men
- A total of 60 members.

Operation of the Department

The running card of the Department has been revised so that there is always one piece of apparatus at the station to protect the villages at North, South, and East Middleboro and The Rock.

Two pumping engines are now sent to cover building fires in these districts instead of one as formerly.

ALARMS

Box	Squad	Still	Warden	Total
10	51	52	27	140

MILEAGE AND EQUIPMENT USED

Mileage	Feet 2½" hose	Feet 1½" hose	Feet ¾" hose
675.4	3,050	800	15,650
	Soda and acid—Tanks 39		Pyrene 5

PROPERTY LOSS

Buildings				
Assessed Val.	Insurance	Damage	Ins. Paid	Net Loss
\$38,930.00	\$59,050.00	\$3,205.06	\$2,555.06	\$650.00
Contents				
Estimated Val.	Insurance	Damage	Ins. Paid	Net Loss
\$13,814.00	\$14,200.00	\$1,752.40	\$778.40	\$975.00

INSPECTIONS

Property (fire hazards)	1686
Hazards found	36
Corrected	24
Unsatisfactory	12

Permits

Oil storage (range)	139
Oil storage (fuel)	22
Gasoline	7
Dynamite	8
Fireworks	3

All apparatus is in good working condition.

The tires on Engine No. 2 are ten years old and must be replaced this year as they are unsafe for further use.

New rear wheels, new brake drums, and a complete set of new tires were placed on Engine No. 1 in 1938.

Considering its age this piece is in very good condition.

Ladder No. 1 has been repainted and a pair of tires from Engine No. 1 were put on the rear wheels to replace a pair that were eleven years old.

Engine No. 2 has been varnished, the outside wood and metal work on the first station has been painted, and the wall on the southwest wing has been given two coats of waterproofing compound

This work was all done by the permanent men at a considerable saving to the town.

Combination No. 1 and Combination No. 2 were sold as junk.

The roof of the fire station still leaks and an appropriation of \$775.00 has been asked for in the 1939 budget to correct this condition.

Recommendations

That the fire alarm circuits be extended to provide protection to the districts served by the recent water extensions.

That all school buildings be connected through inside stations to the fire alarm system.

That a deck gun be placed on Engine No. 4 and that flashing lights be placed on all apparatus. Owing to congested traffic conditions these lights are necessary for safety at night.

The storm of September 21, 1938, brought out very forceably the fact that the town has no emergency lighting equipment of any kind.

Recommend that \$500.00 be appropriated this year to purchase a portable generator and two flood lights.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED M. RYDER,
Chief, Fire Department.

FOREST WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The total number of fires for 1938 for which the forest fire alarm was sounded was 27.

Two of these were calls for assistance from the towns of Carver and Plymouth.

Fires and patrol	\$334.98	
Transportation (gasoline)	15.41	
All other	14.51	
		\$364.90

Would respectfully call your attention to the fact that this department has no equipment of its own and is entirely dependent on the co-operation of the Fire, Moth, and Highway departments for the apparatus and equipment used in extinguishing forest fires.

In 1939 a serious fire hazard will result from two causes:

1. The damage done in our forests by the storm of September 21, 1938, and the large quantities of slash that will remain after the marketable timber has been removed.
2. There was no demand for hay in 1938 and many large areas of standing grass were not mowed. Many of these are in close proximity to both buildings and woodland and constitute a very serious fire hazard.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That at least six pump cans be purchased for this department at once and that as soon as money can be made available a portable forest fire pump and at least 1500 feet of forest fire hose be purchased.

I wish to thank Supt. Forney of the Moth Department and Supt. Anderson of the Highway Department for their co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED M. RYDER,
Forest Warden.

REPORT OF THE MOTH DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I am pleased to report that the year 1938 saw some improvement in the condition of the gypsy moth infestation in the town of Middleboro.

A smaller area suffered complete stripping through the action of this pest than was true the previous year. The improvement was the result of the work performed by this department in determining the areas of greatest infestation and thoroughly creosoting the egg clusters. We are indeed grateful to the W. P. A. for their assistance in this work.

While we might normally expect a continuation of this improvement in 1939, the occurrence of the hurricane has complicated our problem. Many trees, branches, and limbs have blown to the ground carrying with them large numbers of egg clusters which will be very difficult to find. In addition these egg clusters will receive better protection on the ground than they would have on the trees with the result that more complete incubation may be expected.

While we do not plan any decrease in the use of creosote on available egg clusters, it is apparent that this method of attack will not be as successful as it was last year. We will therefore have to rely to a greater extent upon spraying with arsenate of lead for the necessary control of this serious pest.

The effectiveness of spraying depends largely upon the amount and condition of the spraying equipment as pointed out in last year's report. The spraying equipment of this department consists of two old 200-gallon tank sprayers, purchased in 1912 and one 400-gallon tank sprayer purchased in 1937.

I have previously recommended that these old sprayers be replaced with new equipment in the interest of efficiency. I must necessarily renew this recommendation.

It must be borne in mind that unless the infestation from gypsy moth is kept under control it will spread to a point where much permanent damage will be done and a large appropriation required.

I am pleased to report that we have at present no problem caused by the Japanese beetle which is causing much trouble in many places not far distant.

I can assure you that the work has been enjoyable and that I am proud of the opportunity of serving the people of Middleboro as the superintendent of the Moth Department.

In closing let me extend my thanks to the Town Manager, Town Officials, and all those who through their co-operation have helped me in the performance of my duties.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS H. FORNEY.

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

Since assuming the office of Tree Warden in 1938, I have made a careful survey of the conditions of our shade trees throughout the town. I found that many of them were in need of repair and surgery. This is particularly true of some of our large elms and maples.

Needless to say the recent hurricane has changed conditions so that now we are not simply confronted with a problem of maintenance but a problem of serious emergency.

Ordinary observation will show that there are many large trees which have been so seriously injured by the stresses and strains of the hurricane that the possibility of falling branches and limbs constitute a menace to the public safety. The full effects of this damage would be clearly shown in the event of a severe snow storm which would burden these injured trees with a large weight of snow.

Further damage can also be anticipated when we have another severe wind storm.

In order to meet the existing emergency and provide for adequate safety to life and property, a tremendous amount of work must be done and considerable money expended. The nature of the work is such that much of it must be performed by men who are skilled and trained in tree surgery. For this reason I am recommending that the sum of \$500.00 be appropriated in order to take care of the most necessary part of the work.

I want to acknowledge with thanks the assistance received by this department from the Town Manager, Town Officials, and the W. P. A., and I look forward to their assistance and co-operation for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS H. FORNEY.

REPORT OF THE HEALTH OFFICER

Middleboro, Mass.

January 9, 1939

To Mr. Edward Peterson, Health Officer
and Middleboro Board of Health

Gentlemen:

Taken as a whole, the year 1938 has been a very satisfactory one from a Public Health point of view.

We had 128 deaths, exclusive of stillbirths, giving us an adjusted death rate of 14.4, figuring on the population of the 1935 census.

Infant Mortality was low, there being only 6 deaths under 10 years of age for the year 1938.

The brilliant results obtained against Diphtheria by immunization are shown by a low incidence throughout the Commonwealth; not one case having occurred in Middleboro, during the past year. The same can also be said of Typhoid. Scarlet Fever was about 50 percent less prevalent this year than during 1937 and not a single death was caused by this disease in Middleboro.

The parents of school children have co-operated with this Department to prevent the spread of Infectious Diseases and to them for their effort, I express the thanks of the Health Department.

All complaints that have come to this Department during the past year have been investigated and in every instance, where possible, have been remedied.

On inspection tours of stores, markets, restaurants and road stands, etc., suggestions and corrections have been complied with and I have been received courteously. All criticisms have been made with no partiality shown to any individual or group, always with the thought in mind that would result in the best interest in regard to the general public.

Dump

The custodian of the dump has put much time and effort into his work and the results are most praiseworthy. A great deal of filling-in and building-up work has been done during the past year and Mr. Pittsley has made every effort to keep the vicinity of the dump in a clean condition. I might call attention to one fact however; that is to truckmen driving to the dump, and that is to ask them to be more careful of the location at the dump that they use to unload. Some truckmen in the past have not driven far enough into the dump and the result has been on many occasions rather unsightly. Also let me call attention to a certain few who have been abusing the privileges of the dump, by throwing decaying foodstuffs and dead animals among their rubbish. If we all consider the fact that men are obliged to work at the dump and having due regard for their welfare and the health of others, this practice should and would not continue.

Rubbish and Garbage

The regular collections took place in these two branches of the Department with the exception of the month of December. At this time it became necessary to curtail rubbish collections for one week. This could not be avoided at the time and in the future it would be safe to say, at this time, that this will not occur during 1939.

The men engaged in this work have rendered commendable service during the past year and are deserving of a word of praise. To help them to continue this efficient service, place all rubbish for collection in strong but not heavy containers. In regard to garbage, use an approved type of container and do not throw bags or boxes in with the garbage to be collected. If this is done repeatedly it means wasted time and effort on the collectors' part in picking these objects from the collection.

Tubercular Clinic

The work of the clinic is now under the direction of Dr. Bradford H. Pierce, of the Plymouth County Hospital at South Hanson.

A clinic was held at the Memorial High School on November 14, 1938, and 41 students were X-Rayed, there being one absentee. The results of this examination showed 25 negative plates and 16 were referred for physical examination.

On December 12, 1938, the physical examination took place with the 16 students from Middleboro and 1 student transferred from the Town of Carver. Of this number one was absent, six were discharged and ten were continued on the clinic follow-up. There being two new cases added, the total number for the 1939 follow-up clinic will be 14 cases.

School Children X-Rayed	41
Absentee	1
Total School Children Physical Exams	17
Discharge from Clinic	6
Continued on Clinic Follow-up	10
Absentee	1

Plymouth County Hospital

During the year 1938, there have been six patients receiving treatment at the Plymouth County Hospital. One of these is in the out-patient department; two have been discharged and three are still at the Hospital receiving treatment.

The Bailey Summer Health Camp also is under the direction of Dr. Pierce and this year past, covered a period of 8 weeks duration—from June 27th, to August 16th.

Three children were sent to the Camp from Middleboro during the past Summer of 1938. The cost per child being \$60.00. At the camp, the child is treated as an individual and mind as well as body come under the scrutiny of doctor, nurse and counselor.

The children attending the camp are selected from the following group:

1. Children positive to tuberculin and with X-Ray evidence of childhood type of T.B.
2. Children with or without known exposure to T.B. suspected of childhood type.
3. Children exposed to T.B. and who may or may not have reacted to tuberculin.
4. Reactors who have definite malnutrition.
5. Children who are definitely undernourished and underweight.

The money spent on these children pays off in rich dividends of health and happiness for the future that is before them.

Two patients were taken to the Plymouth County Hospital at South Hanson for examination, and two were also taken to the Lakeville State Sanatorium for physical and X-Ray examination.

Summary of Tubercular Cases

Adults Tubercular Cases

Type of Cases:

Pulmonary	47
Hilum	7
Bone	3
Cervical Adenitis	1
Kerato-Uvitis	1
Pulmonary Nephritis	1
Total	60

Of this Number:

Number of deaths	0
Moved out of Town	1
Examined and X-Rayed	8
New Cases	4
Patients at Sanatorium	3

Diphtheria Clinic

The Diphtheria Clinic was held on March 25, April 1 and April 8, 1938. The response this year was not only surprising but encouraging due to the number of persons who availed themselves of the opportunity to be immunized. Toxoid serum was used and for the first treatment there were 149 patients; the second treatment there were 146 and on the third treatment 143 patients. It is this kind of response to Diphtheria immunization that has brought the Diphtheria incidence down—during a 14 year period from 103 cases per 100,000 population from 1923-1927 to 49 cases during 1928-1932 to 6 cases per 100,000 population during the period from 1933-1937.

These figures are compiled from Towns and Cities of 10,000-25,000 population of which there are 45 in the Commonwealth and are based on the 1930 census.

It is hoped that the 1939 Diphtheria Clinic will be as successful as that of 1938.

Dental Clinic

With the building of the new Union Street School, a new Health Unit for dental treatment was provided. No finer unit exists in the entire State than will be found in Middleboro. If you have not as yet availed yourself the opportunity of seeing it, why not do so at the earliest possible moment. It will be well worth your while and maybe you will be surprised to learn the facilities that are afforded the children of Middleboro in this respect.

The old Motor Unit was sold to the Jewish Memorial Hospital of Boston, and was replaced by a new Ritter Unit.

The Dental Clinic runs from October 1st to June 1st, every Wednesday morning from 9-12 A.M. First and second grade pupils whose parents are not financially able to have them treated by a family dentist are included in this group. Besides these however, emergency cases are treated (extractions only) but none are filled above the second grade. The Summer Camp children, the re-tardy class and Welfare Department children also are included in this clinic.

The number of children found to have defects and corrected during the year 1938 were 196.

The number of Dental Certificates issued were 78.

The total number examined during the year 1938 were 292.

Contagious Diseases

Only three cases of contagious diseases had to be hospitalized during the year 1938. Two of these were sent to The Haynes Memorial Hospital in Brighton, and one was sent to The Massachusetts Memorial Hospital, Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston, for specialist observation and treatment.

The Summary of Contagious Diseases for the Year 1938

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Chicken Pox	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	12
Dog Bite	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	7
German Measles	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Septic Throat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lobar Pneumonia	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
Measles	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Mumps	6	9	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	25
Scarlet Fever	1	1	0	0	10	2	0	1	0	2	0	1	18
Whooping Cough	4	1	6	8	6	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	29
Pulmonary T. B.	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	5
Bacillary Dysentery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Acute Encephalitis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Syphilis	0	0	3	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	9
Gonorrhea	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	4
Total													122

Plumbing Inspection

To the Inspector of Plumbing Mr. John Pearson, I extend my thanks for his splendid co-operation. I have been guided and helped materially by his knowledge and training, when complaints have come to me, the nature of which required his sound judgment. Public Health to a very great extent, depends on plumbing and in my opinion the duties of this office, must of necessity be exacting. The Inspector has carried out these duties with impartiality and has co-operated in the Department to make Middleboro a safer and healthier Town in which to live. For full particulars, I refer you to the Report of the Inspector of Plumbing.

Milk

Another branch of the Health Department upon which a great responsibility rests, is that which comes under the supervision of the Milk Inspector. Dr. Bertram Cameron is another Inspector under the Department of Health of Middleboro, who deals fairly and impartially with all. During the past year he has worked in conjunction with the State Department in his inspections and I refer you to his report for details. He has co-operated with this Department in every sense of the word, whenever possible; although most of this work, as has been said is in conjunction with the various State Departments.

Burials

There were 136 Burial Perniits issued during the year 1938. Three of them were for removals. The following comprise the permits issued. The adjusted death rate of 14.4 does not include Stillborns.

Stillborn	3
Under 1 year	6
From 1 to 10 years	0
From 10 to 20 years	2
From 20 to 30 years	0
From 30 to 40 years	3

From 40 to 50 years	6
From 50 to 60 years	18
From 60 to 70 years	28
From 70 to 80 years	30
From 80 to 90 years	32
From 90 to 100 years	5
Removals	3

SUMMARY—HEALTH DEPARTMENT

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Bakeries Inspected	...	...	2	3	2	0	2	2	1	0	1	2	15
Cesspools Inspected	...	...	3	6	1	1	4	2	2	5	0	3	27
Cesspool Nuisance Abated	...	...	3	5	1	1	3	2	2	4	0	3	24
Cesspools Cleaned	...	9	13	26	21	16	11	13	5	7	4	4	129
Cesspools Built	...	...	...	...	3	2	4	2	1	1	0	0	13
Contagious Diseases	18	11	18	14	23	8	2	1	4	8	3	10	120
Contagious Placards	16	11	14	10	20	6	0	1	0	5	1	8	92
Dead Animals Reported	...	...	2	0	0	3	5	2	0	1	0	0	13
Dead Animals Removed	...	...	2	0	0	3	3	2	0	1	0	0	11
Garbage Complaints	...	...	3	2	1	0	4	5	1	3	4	3	26
Insp. Bottling Plants	...	...	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10
Insp. Ice Cream Plants	...	...	0	2	2	2	1	0	2	1	1	0	11
Insp. Markets-Stores	...	...	26	11	19	23	29	17	23	11	14	25	198
Insp. Restaurants, etc.	...	...	21	20	18	21	20	21	18	12	20	20	191
Miscellaneous Complaints	...	...	6	2	5	1	4	3	0	3	2	2	28
Privy Complaints Investigated	...	...	0	1	2	4	4	3	2	4	3	1	24
Soda Fountains Inspected	...	...	4	5	3	4	6	6	6	4	5	5	48
Visiting Schools	...	...	12	6	7	0	0	0	7	9	10	12	63
Vaults Cleaned	...	...	...	6	4	5	4	0	1	3	0	3	26
Water Examinations	...	...	...	...	1	0	1	3	2	1	11	5	24
Yards Inspected	...	...	2	4	5	3	9	6	4	2	3	1	39
Licenses Granted													
Pasteurizing Milk	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	5
Wood Alcohol	10	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	20	1	33
Bottling Beverages	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Ice Cream Mfg.	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Undertakers	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

I believe at some future date, as soon as possible, the garbage truck should be changed and a modern type body should be used on whatever type of chassis is bought. The present unit for the collection of garbage is not satisfactory during the summer months and on days when it rains. A canvas cover is used on these days; during the warm months, it is not as sanitary as it should be. On rainy days the water makes puddles on the canvas causing it to settle in the garbage. This cover would not have to be used on the new type of garbage truck, because it is entirely closed in; it is odor proof and is much more desirable from a sanitation standpoint.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. CALLAN, Agent,
Middleboro Board of Health.

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Middleboro, Mass.
December 31, 1938.

Board of Selectmen
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I submit my annual report as Inspector of Animals for 1938.

I have completed the animal inspection of all neat cattle, swine, sheep, and goats in the town of Middleboro, with the following results.

Premises inspected	205
Total number of herds	192
Total number of cattle	1313
Total number of swine	201
Total number of sheep	20
Total number of goats	23

The cattle inspected were divided as follows—

Pure bred cows	112
Pure bred young stock	43
Pure bred bulls	17
Grade cows	908
Grade young stock	180
Grade bulls	31
Steers and oxen	22

There were three untested herds found, numbering 25 head of cattle.

There is still one reactor animal kept in the town by permission of the Division of Livestock Disease Control.

There have been 12 permits received from the Division to ship cattle into town from out of state. Two of these were returned not used and on the remaining ten permits, 79 cattle were shipped in to the town.

During the months of August and September, an epidemic of equine encephalomyelitis affecting horses and mules appeared in the town. The number of horses contracting the disease and died were ten, which were reported to the Division of Livestock Disease Control. All other horses that were exposed to the disease, the owners were warned and advised to vaccinate against the disease.

There were no animals reacting to the tuberculin test made by the Division.

No dogs were quarantined.

One cow was quarantined, suspected of having tuberculosis, but died before the State inspected it.

Respectfully submitted,

B. N. CAMERON, D.V.M.

Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF MILK

Middleboro, Mass.
December 31, 1938

Board of Health
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I submit my annual report as Inspector of Milk for 1938.

I wish to thank the various divisions of the Department of Agriculture for their assistance in making the analysis of milk samples and all such samples were found to be above the required standard. By having the State do these, it was a saving for the town.

Producers were all found to have a certificate of registration issued by the Division of Dairy. All milk dealers were found to have in their possession a license issued by the Milk Control Board.

Persons engaged in the production, processing, and the sale of milk and milk products did their utmost to give the people of Middleboro a superior quality of milk and milk products.

This department has issued the following licenses for the year.

Oleomargarine licenses	11
Milk licenses (dealer)	22
Milk licenses (store)	58

License fees obtained from the above were turned into the Town Treasurer. Amounts received from each of the above are as follows.

Oleomargarine licenses	\$5.50
Milk licenses (dealer)	11.00
Milk licenses (store)	29.00
Total	<u>\$45.50</u>

Apparatus—

1 sample case
24 milk sample tubes
30 milk sample thieves

Recommendations—

During the year, a revised set of milk laws was presented to the board of health that met with their approval and was published as required by law. After a hearing granted to the outside dealers, the board repealed and rescinded all laws governing milk.

Therefore, I recommend that the board of health provide and approve laws governing the production and the sale of milk and milk products for the protection of the public health of Middleboro.

I recommend that the board of health provide an office as required by Chapter 94, Section 35, G. L., where such records of this department may be kept.

In conclusion, I wish to thank all persons that have aided and assisted in this work to bring a better supply of milk to the people of Middleboro.

Respectfully submitted,

B. N. CAMERON, D.V.M.,
Inspector of Milk.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Middleboro, Mass.
December 31, 1938.

Board of Health
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I submit my annual report as Inspector of Slaughter for 1938.

During the year there were no animals slaughtered for inspection. Monthly reports were sent to the Department of Public Health reporting no inspections.

Respectfully submitted,

B. N. CAMERON, D.V.M.
Inspector of Slaughter.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

Middleboro, Mass.
January 9, 1939

To the Board of Health
Middleboro, Massachusetts

I herewith submit the report of the Inspector of Plumbing for the year 1938:

Number of Applications	103
Bath Tubs	60
Water Closets	79
Lavatories	69
Sinks	73
Wash Trays	7
Urinals	4
Showers	1
Slop Hoppers	3
Sewers	37
Cesspools	58
Septic Tanks	3
Refrigerators	3
Conductors	1

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. PEARSON,
Inspector of Plumbing.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the Thirtieth annual report and detailed statement of duties performed by the Police Department of the Town of Middleborough, for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1938.

I would recommend that another regular officer be added to the Department for the good of the Department.

I would recommend that a new cruising car be purchased, as the present car is three years old, and will soon need a lot of repair work.

Chief of Police

Alden C. Sisson

Sergeant

Charles H. Rogers

Patrolmen

Alton R. Rogers

William C. Elliott

Thomas L. Pittsley

Clerk

Chester H. Rice

Janitor

John Washburn

Special Officers

Paul F. Anderson
George A. Barney
Alfred M. Butler
John Rebell
William O. Casey
Arthur B. Caswell
Chessman E. Coombs
Francis H. Crowley
Angelo Giberti
Wallace S. Grant
William E. Gardiner, Jr.
Robert E. Hewitt
Thomas E. Hirst
James J. Vigers
Melville D. Wilbur
Albert T. Westgate

Warren E. Jefferson
Richard Matthews
Leroy Mawhinney
Patrick McMahon
James A. McDonald
Chester H. Rice
Roy Pendleton
Alden C. Perry
Alton T. Smith
John J. Sullivan
Ralph Sampson
William E. Scott
Leon Townsend
Jesse C. Wilbur
Harold S. Wood
William Watson

John A. Washburn

OFFENCES

	Males	Females	Total
Assault and battery	11	0	11
Breaking and entering in the night-time	7	0	7
Capias	12	0	12
Contempt of Court	4	0	4
Drunkenness	97	4	101
Disturbing the peace	2	0	2

Insane	6	2	8
Larceny	18	0	18
Lodgers	48	0	48
Motor vehicles violations	81	1	82
Non-support	11	0	11
Neglect of child	1	0	1
Operating under the influence	18	0	18
Destroying property	3	0	3
Promoting a lottery	1	0	1
S. P. Persons	7	0	7
Sale of liquor to minors	1	0	1
Receiving stolen property	1	0	1
Bastardy	1	0	1
Adultery	1	0	1

STATISTICAL REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrest for out of town officers	8
Amount of fines imposed in Middleboro Court	\$940
Buildings found open	119
Cases investigated	600
Disturbances quelled without arrest	10
Defective street lights reported	41
Dogs shot	8
Number of arrests during the year	301
Males	276
Females	10
Minors	15
Non-residents	170
Local residents	131
Nuisances	4
Summons served	150
Street obstructions removed	20
Sales of second hand automobiles reported	2035
Value of stolen property recovered and restored	\$3500
Warning tags on autos	75

REPORT OF ACCIDENTS INVESTIGATED BY THE MIDDLEBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Results		Accidents by Months	
Number killed	3	January	5
Number injured	159	February	3
Property damage	123	March	7
Pedestrians Injured		April	8
		May	3
Adults	4	June	9
Children	9	July	17
Causes		August	8
		September	9
Drunken driving	6	October	6
Reckless driving	4	November	9
Speed	60	December	4
Failing to keep to right	1		
Miscellaneous	17		

Vehicles Involved		Weather	
Passenger cars	137	Clear	64
Trucks	5	Cloudy	12
Bicycles	2	Rain and snow	9
Horse drawn vehicles	0	Fog and mist	4
Bus	0		
Hazard		Condition of Road	
Straight going	62	Dry	66
Intersections	19	Wet	21
Curves	5	Snow	0
Hills	0	Ice	3
Miscellaneous	1		
Drivers		District	
Foreign	70	Business section	4
Out-of-State	9	Residential	37
		Country	47

CONCLUSION

The patrol car has covered 23,535 miles during the past year. All of the local factories are covered each night, and during the summer months, on traffic route 28 and 44.

The Ambulance has covered 325 miles in the past year. Having 35 calls. Thirty-two call to accidents, and three other calls.

Traffic was very heavy during the past summer, on route 28 on several Sundays as high as 24,000 cars passed over that highway in sixteen hours.

I wish to thank the Superintendent of Schools for the system he has installed into the schools for the education of the children in regards to traffic.

I wish to thank the operators of the local telephone exchange for the good service given the department, which has been a great assistance in our work.

I wish to express my thanks and appreciation for the assistance and co-operation given me by the Honorable Board of Selectmen, the Fourth District Court, the people of the Town of Middleborough, and the officers of the Department, who have helped to make the administration of this Department a success.

Respectfully submitted,

ALDEN C. SISSON,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF THE WELFARE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I assumed my duties as Welfare Agent on March 17, 1938. In these nine months because of proper and thorough investigation of all cases, it was possible to keep within the reduced appropriation which was approximately \$8000.00 less than 1937. May I also call to your attention the fact that \$1646.00 was paid for bills obligated in the years 1935, 1936, and 1937. I contemplate a further reduction in Welfare costs for the coming year.

May I at this time thank Mr. Boynton for his co-operation and help in the past nine months. He has handled settlement cases in a very efficient manner and has saved many dollars for the town by his work.

Aid to Dependent Children

These cases are under State and Federal Supervision. The town is reimbursed for about 60 percent of the total cost. There was an average of 21 cases during the year. In this Department we may expect an increase to about 25 cases.

Infirmary

May I take this opportunity to commend Mr. and Mrs. Grant for their splendid and untiring efforts in the care of the Inmates and property at the Infirmary.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES J. O'NEIL

BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The amount of publicity given in the last election to increase of minimum monthly allowance and decrease in the age limit to sixty years is well known. It is probable that some changes in the present law will be made this year. Just what these changes will be is not known. Mr. Curley's proposal for a minimum allowance of \$40.00 per month for persons over 60 years of age would have increased the State cost \$6,000,000.00 per year. In addition to paying our share of that amount, I figure that it would increase our tax rate about \$2.00 per thousand.

From my experience I find that very few people under 65 years of age really need Old Age Assistance. As to monthly allowance, I am opposed to an increase of the minimum. Each local department is supposed to give the amount necessary in each case. About 10 percent of our cases, actually need, and are now in excess of the \$30.00 per month minimum. To increase all to \$40.00 per month would increase our appropriation \$36,000.00, and the net cost to the town \$12,000.00 per year.

On January 1, 1938 the population of this town was about 9,000 people. Of this number 1101 were over 65 years of age, and 447 between 60 and 65. Many of these people will never be eligible for Old Age Assistance for various reasons, but there is no doubt that the number on Old Age Assistance will gradually increase until about 1942. At that time, provided the age limit is not lowered, the pensions from the Social Security Act will tend to reduce the number of new applicants, and the cases closed by death and other causes should offset the number of new cases.

At the present time Miss Laura B. Whittemore works four days per week as Visitor. She makes all visits required by law on 300 cases and extra visits when necessary, due to sickness or other causes.

My work consists of taking applications, securing necessary proof of eligibility, proof of settlement, reports, statistics, and all supervisory work. In addition I make visits to all cases in excess of the 300 mentioned above. During 1938 I gave three days a week to this work. With the increase in the number of cases, I shall have more visits to make, and figure that it will take four days per week to do the work.

Each year there is a Federal audit, and all cases and payments are examined by the Auditors. All new cases are examined and approved by the State Visitor for the State Department.

WELFARE

In March 1938 the personnel of the Welfare Department was changed. Previous to that date Miss Laura B. Whittemore was Visitor for all Welfare and Aid to Dependent Children cases, giving two days per week to that work. I supervised all the remainder of the Welfare work.

On March 5, 1938 Elmer G. Allen took temporary charge of that work. On March 17, 1938 James J. O'Neil was appointed to have charge of Welfare work including Aid to Dependent Children and the Town Infirmary. Mr. O'Neil took over all of Miss Whittemore's and part of my Welfare work. He deserves praise for the efficient manner in which he has handled the job.

My duties on the Welfare now consist of investigation and proof of settlements and claims. The supervision of notices, bills, statistics, and reports required by law or state regulation. I give about two days per week to this work.

Each year Federal auditors examine all cases of Aid to Dependent Children as regards eligibility and payments.

A comparative report of receipts, expenditures, and other interesting statistics for the last two years is made as part of this report.

WILLIAM G. BOYNTON,
Supervisor.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF WELFARE DEPARTMENT

	1937	1938
Administration		
Salaries	\$1,612.00	\$1,600.00
Postage	98.42	89.10
Transportation	96.77	120.00
Supplies	80.85	66.68
Fixtures	106.86	.....
	<u>\$1,994.90</u>	<u>\$1,875.78</u>
Outside Relief		
Groceries and Provisions	\$10,663.92	\$8,699.43
Board and Care	4,428.57	3,221.61
Fuel	2,430.12	1,612.17
Medical Care	3,289.75	2,169.56
Clothing	1,390.38	689.21
Rent	3,255.95	1,909.01
Cash	5,274.06	4,520.47
Other Supplies and Burials	294.88	220.54
	<u>\$31,027.63</u>	<u>\$23,042.00</u>
State Institutions	1,585.47	1,393.97
Other Cities and Towns	3,104.00	4,064.76
	<u>35,717.10</u>	<u>28,500.73</u>
Infirmary		
Salary Superintendent and Matron	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Wages Employees	1,844.40	1,723.78
Groceries and Provisions	2,017.36	1,608.67
Dry Goods and Clothing	237.17	100.95
Repairs to Buildings	164.05	62.85
Piggery	575.64	.....
New Garage	1,103.44	.....
Fuel, Light, and Water	674.74	622.67
Grain	652.21	495.62

Autos, Maintenance	862.80	.....	455.53
Other Farm Expense	1,559.92	.....	1,180.73
Washing Machine	500.00	.....	.....
			<u>7,750.80</u>
Total cost for year			<u>\$38,127.31</u>
Less total receipts for year			20,688.54
Net cost for year			<u>\$17,438.77</u>

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Total Expense	\$10,990.53	.....	\$13,915.11
Receipts — State	\$2,285.02	.....	\$7,479.04
Federal	3,531.09	.....	2,315.11
			<u>9,794.15</u>
Net cost for year	\$5,174.42	.....	<u>\$4,120.96</u>

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

	1937	1938
Administration		
Salaries	\$1,903.00	\$2,012.00
Postage	199.13	174.62
Supplies	96.14	136.37
Transportation	138.96	149.41
	\$2,337.23	\$2,472.40
Cash payments	\$95,927.64	\$112,281.54
To other cities and towns	1,138.57	1,189.82
Paid State and Federal their share of reimbursement from individuals		943.16
	97,066.21	114,414.52
	\$99,403.44	\$116,886.92
Less receipts	\$24,069.49	\$39,933.36
Federal receipts used	48,711.44	56,631.76
	72,780.93	96,565.12
Net cost for year	\$26,622.51	\$20,321.80
Combined net cost, 3 Departments	\$53,728.20	\$41,881.53

WELFARE1937-1938
Receipts1937-1938
Bills receivable**Infirmary**

\$2,104.67	\$1,153.60	Hogs		
803.49	724.32	Other Produce	\$21.44	\$39.68
3,857.66	3,185.72	Board	884.34	756.63
13.09	6.00	All Other	.....	21.75
\$6,778.91	\$5,069.64	Total Infirmary	\$905.78	\$818.06
578.25	530.00	Individuals	86.00	428.03
7,682.43	4,863.25	Cities and Towns	1,926.50	992.90
12,432.87	10,225.65	State Welfare	5,702.98	3,492.69
\$27,472.46	\$20,688.54		\$8,621.26	\$5,731.68

Aid to Dependent Children

\$2,285.02	\$7,479.04	State A. D. C.	\$6,221.74	\$3,060.47

Old Age Assistance

\$2.00	\$1,302.00	Individuals		
21,698.78	36,991.43	State	\$24,009.43	\$29,342.87
2,368.71	1,639.93	Cities and Towns	780.40	604.83
\$24,069.49	\$39,933.36		\$24,789.83	\$29,947.70

Total three departments

\$53,826.97	\$68,100.94		\$39,632.83	\$38,739.85
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Federal Reimbursements

\$48,711.44	\$56,631.76	Old Age Used		
3,120.73	327.81	Old Age available	\$8,546.95	\$9,324.03
3,531.09	2,315.11	A. D. C. used	.....	.....
28.70	685.92	A. D. C. available	436.00	451.34

Statistics

	1937		1938	
	Families	Persons	Families	Persons
Outside Aid				
Middleboro settlement	147	531	105	362
State settlement	52	213	43	192
Other Cities and Towns	44	138	31	91
Total aided in Middleboro	243	882	179	645
Average weekly case load	92	339	69	294
January 1st	122	470	116	440
Heaviest load Jan. 25, 1937	124	484		
Heaviest load Jan. 24, 1938	.....		135	527
Lightest load Aug. 30, 1937	73	241		
Lightest load Sept. 26, 1938	...		43	100
December 31st	116	440	57	169
Employable	69	344	12	81

Non-employable	47	96	45	88
Applications rejected	4	.....	6	.....
Middleboro settlements				
Living in other places	17	44	19	51
Aid to Dependent Children				
January 1st	12	60	23	79
Added during year	17	45	5	20
Closed during year	6	26	7	23
December 31st	23	79	21	76
Old Age Assistance				
January 1st	260	.....	295	.....
Added during year	80	.....	78	.....
Closed during year	45	.....	51	.....
December 31st	295	.....	322	.....
Living in other towns	20	.....	23	.....
Cases rejected	3	.....	4	.....
Middleboro Infirmary				
Middleboro settlement	15	.....	13	.....
Boarded by other towns	9	.....	8	.....
Total during year	33	.....	28	.....
Average during year	27	.....	21½	.....
Cost per inmate per week	... ..	\$3.55	.....	\$3.96
Report of Doctors (Welfare)				
House calls	483	.....	366	.....
Office calls	130	.....	57	.....
Operations	10	.....	2	.....
Confinements	7	.....	2	.....
*St. Luke's Hospital—cases	25	.....	4	.....
cost	.....	\$715.80	.....	\$98.50
Visits				
District nurse (Welfare, A.D.C., O. A. A., B. of H.)	408	.....	555	.....
†Welfare, and A. D. C.	1873	.....	364	.....
†Old Age		.....	1425	.....
To Infirmary	72	.....	63	.....

*In addition we had the use of the free bed furnished by town appropriation and other persons that would ordinarily have had to have hospitalization were cared for by the Pratt free beds in the Massachusetts General Hospital. The Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital, and St. Luke's Hospital. This is the first year these free beds were available and they reduced our expense for Hospitals materially.

†In 1937 these visits were not kept separately.

MARIA H. L. PIERCE LUXURY FUND

December 30, 1938

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Middleboro:

As Custodian of the Maria H. L. Pierce Luxury Fund, I herewith submit my report for the year 1938.

As usual two daily and Sunday papers have been provided, as well as the *Middleboro Gazette*. These are circulated throughout the house, and all who wish may read them.

About once a month a small amount of wholesome candy is provided, and we find that the men are as eager for it as the women.

At Easter growing plants were on the tables and small baskets of candy eggs at each place.

The radio has been kept in running order with service charges paid from the Fund. Loud speakers on each floor make it possible for all the inmates to have the pleasure of it.

At Christmas a tree with lights together with gifts and candy for all were distributed by Santa, impersonated by one of the inmates.

As small needs come up from time to time, the Custodian tries to take care of them from the Fund. We have a small balance left this year.

We wish to thank all the friends who have contributed books, magazines, and other articles, all of which were much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA B. WHITEMORE

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

January 1, 1939

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Middleboro, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit for your consideration and approval the report of the Weights and Measures Department for the year 1938.

The State Standards are housed at 13 Forest Street where they are at all time kept secure under lock and key. The Town equipment or working equipment have at regular intervals been compared and adjusted to these Standards. It is by these that the following list of devices sealed are adjusted. Therefore, the conditions of the working equipment and protection of the Standards are of vital importance to both consumer and merchant.

The revenues turned into the Town Treasurer for sealing fees were \$196.16. The revenues turned into the Town Treasurer for adjusting charges were \$31.85. Number of miles traveled for this department were 4,840.

LICENSES

This department is credited with the issuing of the following licenses: State, County, Transient Vendor, Town and Veteran Licenses, and the sum of \$94.00 direct revenue to the Town. I wish to state that the enforcement of the laws pertaining to Hawkers and Peddlers compels the expenditure of a large amount of this department transportation appropriation.

Summary for the Year 1938

SCALES	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Platform, over 10,000 lbs.	1	5	1	1
Platform, 5,000 to 10,000 lbs.	1	6		
Platform, 100 to 5,000 lbs.	54	66	2	6
Counter, 100 to 5,000 lbs.	6	13		
Counter, under 100 lbs.	13	25	1	2
Beam, 100 to 5,000 lbs.	1	2		2
Beam, under 100 lbs.	4	9		

SCALES	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Spring, 100 to 5,000 lbs.	5	18		9
Spring, under 100 lbs.	51	106	1	19
Computing, 100 to 5,000 lbs.	1	1		
Computing, under 100 lbs.	37	57	2	4
Person weigher (slot)		8		4
Prescription		4	1	

WEIGHTS		
Avoirdupois	197	481
Apothecary		60
Metric		79

VOLUMETRIC MEASURES		
Liquid Measures over 1 gal.	14	
Liquid Measures 1 gal. and under	144	24
Oil jars	23	
Dry Measures	5	
Fuel baskets	2	1

AUTOMATIC LIQUID MEASURING DEVICES				
Gasoline Pumps	11	22	20	7
Stops on pumps	67	111		
Gasoline Meter systems	67	104		10
Oil pumps	20	33	63	1
Tank Truck meter systems	7	11		
Bulk station meter systems	2	2		
Molasses pumps		2		
Grease measuring devices	5	21	3	

LINEAR MEASURES				
Yard sticks		48		2
TOTALS	550	1482	94	92

TRIAL WEIGHINGS AND MEASUREMENTS OF COMMODITIES SOLD OR PUT UP FOR SALE

COMMODITY	Total no. tested	Correct	Under	Over
Beans	51	49		2
Bread	92	83	5	4
Butter	250	245	4	1
Coal (in paper bags)	233	49	158	26
Coal (in transit)	6		3	3
Confectionery	39	36		3
Dry commodities	212	189	23	
Flour	10	10		
Fruits and vegetables	136	57	51	28
Grain and feed	20	17	2	1
Kindling wood (in paper bags)	5	2	3	
Lard	40	40		
Liquid commodities	6	5	1	
Meats and provisions	85	81	3	1
Potatoes	98	56	18	24
TOTALS	1283	919	271	93

INSPECTIONS

Paper fibre cartons	60	Clinical Thermometers	50
Peddlers' licenses	23	Ice scales	17
Milk jars	200	Junk scales	6
Coal certificates	6	Ice cream cans	40
Transient vendors	1	Oil jars	449
Peddlers' Scales	15	Other inspections	235

MARKINGS OF FOOD PACKAGES. Total 1039 inspected.

I wish to express my appreciation at this time to all those who have co-operated with me in my first year's work as sealer.

Respectfully submitted,

IVAN P. SHAW,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

ANNUAL REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

To the Selectmen and the Town of Middleborough:

The activities of the Planning Board for the past year have been largely routine. We have approved numerous WPA projects, and have acted on three PWA projects. We are gratified that the Town saw fit to follow our recommendations in two out of the three cases. However, one which we approved and one we disapproved are not closed cases yet.

While no definite action has been taken on any of our past recommendations as listed in last year's report, some of them are under study by special committees, and we have reason to believe that early action on at least four may be expected.

In this connection, may we point out that the necessity for study by special committees is due wholly to the failure of the Town to provide funds to the Planning Board with which we could have made these and many other studies well in advance of the Town's need for them. Our report on the Parking Problem contained in the 1931 Report may be cited as an example of what the Planning Board can accomplish in this direction. This report, with minor review and modification, could be used by the Town today as the basis for a very suitable solution of its continuing parking problem.

The Fall meeting of the Federation of Planning Boards, at which this Board was represented, was one of the best yet held, and we wish to specially commend the Federation for its beneficial work in disseminating information on the progress and details of Town Planning.

Your attention should be directed to the new State law on Planning Boards. If accepted by the Town, this law would invest in the Planning Board the control of the subdivision of land in the Town. Home-building is expanding throughout the nation, and the Town should now consider means of discouraging the too-close crowding of homes on inadequate house-lots. We have too much of this already.

Our main suggestion at this time is that the Town provide in its annual budget a few hundred dollars for intensive study by the Planning Board of some of the more urgent problems of the Town, in order that data may be available in case the need for action on these matters becomes imperative.

Respectfully submitted,

RUSSELL A. TRUFANT
ENID S. CROZIER
WILLIAM D. CHURCH
ABNER H. SMITH
WILLIAM C. BARDEN

Planning Board.

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSION

Middleboro, Mass.

January 12, 1939

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Park Commission wish to submit their report for the year 1938. Increased activities on both the playground and at the pool have caused a large attendance of children and adults as in the previous years. We were not successful in all our aims due to the lack of sufficient funds, but we hope that the future will overcome this obstacle. Questions of administration and supervision have been settled by this Commission as they have arisen.

For details of the work accomplished, we are submitting the reports of the supervisors of the pool and playground as a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL M. BARRETT, Chairman
LORENZO WOOD
ARTHUR D. BENSON
CHARLES S. CARVER
WILLIAM A. BLANCHETTE, Secretary

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF PLAYGROUND

Gentlemen:

This report is presented to show what has been done to advance a program of recreation for the leisure time of all those who desire to use our Municipal facilities. The report also contains suggestions for immediate consideration, in order that our present facilities may be more extensively used by more people, both young and old.

Increasing attention is being given everywhere to the recreational needs of the adult population, not only during the Summer months but as a year round development, in an effort to retain a community spirit of playing together, and creating wholesome team work in all community endeavors. If adult programs are to be successful, all groups using the playground must pull together for the common good of all. Can this be done?

The activities the past season were really directed in three divisions; the senior baseball field directed by the Twilight League, the pool by a

special staff, and the play spaces, junior field, courts etc., by the WPA Recreation staff. This report is therefore restricted to those activities outside of swimming, and senior baseball, making it impossible to present a real picture of our Summer program.

The recreation program conducted by the WPA staff at several schools during the school year is of great value in play education and leadership, being especially valuable in contacting the instructors with the children who visit the playground. Schools have used play equipment of the Works Progress Administration, where none was available before. Every effort was made to co-operate with schools in their recreational needs.

A new feature at the playground this year, was the renovating of the Shop, into a place for Craftsmanship for boys and girls, as well as being used for athletic instructors. It proved very useful and next season will be more extensively used, especially as a Craft Shop.

Two years ago the game of Softball started and was enjoyed by many, but last year interest seemed to lag. This year, with the Western States gone wild with the sport, it just would not be denied its chance in the East. Four teams started the season but soon four more demanded their right to play. The fun the men had and the closeness and speed of the games soon filled the bleachers with interested spectators. This sport will be off to an early start next season. Some conflict was necessary in time of play with the Twilight League games, but no attempt was made to compete with our National game and its success. It just seemed to be an off year for hard baseball.

Volleyball, the former indoor game that attracts so many players in the Y.M.C.A. and other clubs during the Winter, was brought out into the open and introduced to the men. Instant response to the skills of the game by many players made it necessary to organize leagues. Three divisions, composed of four teams in each played series of games, and had a second court been available, more would have entered. Damp, foggy evenings had no terrors for these fans, every night was just one more time for some fun.

Car traffic at the play spaces was restricted by placing posts across the field in back of the Fire Station, and at the main road leading toward the courts. Practically no complaints were heard and the safety of the grounds and cleanliness of the courts was greatly advanced. Naturally, as the program of activities increase, improved facilities for the conduct of the program are more clearly defined, and the need for service to players and spectators demands our attention.

Here are a few suggestions for a survey of the whole plan of activities on the playground, by the Park Board, for the purpose of making improvements and increasing service.

1. Town appoint a Supervisor of Recreation, to have charge of all recreation in schools and at playground.
2. Town employ a Field Manager, to care for grounds, act as special officer in prevention of property damage.
To get best results he should live near or at the grounds, keeping control of areas at all times.
3. The question of heating the fieldhouse in order to lengthen the seasonal use of its facilities.
4. Changing the location of the football field and the development of a track and regulation field for Softball. The field for football is now located in the center of the area for Summer sports. The new location has many excellent advantages.
5. Removal of gravel road at tennis courts and the addition of more courts.

6. Space available for the field manager to keep tools and supplies for maintenance. The machine for grass cutting to be at field at all times, or other arrangements made so that fields may be cut faster. Here is one of the co-operative needs of the playground, much needed by players and public.
7. The Selectmen to appoint the Park Board members at the earliest possible opportunity, so that they may give consideration to thoughtful planning for the coming season.
8. The Town purchase the property of the Twilight League and assume responsibility for maintenance. No club should own any property on a playground that prevents its use by organizations having permission to use sport areas.
9. A project for the WPA be drawn up including all changes and improvements desired for the coming season, for the pool, baseball fields and other needs. It would be a real pleasure to work with the engineer on this planning, and any member of the Board assigned to such a survey.

With due appreciation of your many problems, and knowing your desire to give generously of your service, let me assure you of my continued co-operation in giving to Middleboro an outstanding program of recreation, that will reach the greatest number.

Cordially yours,

FRANK CROZIER

Gentlemen:

This report covers the ten weeks of the Summer activities. The weather man was very kind to us again this year and the play areas have been extensively used. To grasp a clear picture of the depth of Middleboro's recreational program, one should study the report of the Supervisor of Swimming, then recall the many games of baseball played at the Senior diamond, as well as the sports in this report. It's the many activities that give us the real picture of our Summer enjoyment.

Attendance for Playground during July	3905
“ August	5671
Total	<u>9576</u>

The daily program consisted of baseball, tennis, music, horseshoes, softball, volleyball and free play.

Baseball again took the lead in interest, and among the boys this sport will always hold first place anywhere. A new league blossomed forth this season composed of players graduating from the past season's Intermediate league. This four team league was very successful and some high class ball games were played. A picked team in this league played outside teams and placed second in the WPA District Championships. Three teams were left for the league of Intermediates and four teams were organized among the Juniors, made up largely of beginners but full of enthusiasm and always in there to learn the game. Prizes to the winners were made by the Works Progress Administration.

Tennis enjoyed a fine year, courts being constantly busy and the Tennis Club team playing several matches with nearby towns and cities. Mr. Rockwood, coach for the team, kept the players on their toes and was a big factor in putting this sport across. We need those other three courts badly.

Horseshoe pitching with three new courts located at the Craft Shop, gave a start to what next season will be one of the best patronized of the

activities. Here is a chance for a fellow and his friend to enjoy a real fling, and enjoy themselves. Next year will be a tournament year and classier courts.

Softball, a sport the West went wild about, breezed in on us and it was no time at all until four teams were at it for the champ race in a Club League. Shortly after this start, four more teams asked to play and that started the Commercial League. Very soon the bleachers at the small diamond were being filled on many evenings and at the play off between the winners of the two leagues, there was no space left. It took the Y team three snappy contests to show Bobs Lunch, who was who. This sport is here to stay and becomes a permanent part of the season's star events.

Volleyball, the fascinating indoor game that fills the Y.M.C.A. and other clubs during the Winter season, was brought out into the open and introduced to the men. The game proved a winner from the first night and before the season was half over, twelve teams were being matched in play. Damp, foggy evenings had no terrors for those fans, every night was just one more time for some fun. Again we welcome a new sport to our Summer list and may it again bring us the enjoyment it has in the past.

Special events were planned for each week, some events for the field and some in the pool. The July Fourth program gives a fine start for the season, offering a chance for everyone to enjoy a varied program of events from morning till night. Prizes for the winners bring bundles of happiness to many, and always are those who have their fun in just participating. The co-operation of the grown ups on this occasion, in their desire to make the day worth while, is also a vital part of the day's success.

The girls enjoy Weinies roasts and hikes at various times and the boys make a trip to Fenway Park for a Red Sox game. The Bird Club make their annual trip to Barnstable for study. It is hoped that most folks can now realize that all sorts of recreational activities must be a part of a broad program in order to reach the individual needs.

The Craft Shop at the playground was started this year, and next season will see plenty of action in all forms of craftsmanship. There is no limit to this form of recreation.

The coming year needs greater co-operation of all organizations using any part of the playgrounds, and a consistent effort made to plan a program to avoid friction wherever possible. Commendations on many features of the season serve to convince us that most folks feel that our efforts are worth while. The WPA staff have played a large part in putting the activities across and to them much credit is due. The time to start preparing for Summer is in the Winter, so let's get together and be ready.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK CROZIER,
Supervisor of Playground.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF THE SWIMMING POOL

To the Members of the Park Board,

Gentlemen:

The pool closed another year of successful operation both from a financial as well as a public social affair. Middleboro had well be proud to own such an institution and with a few minor improvements the pool could be made into one of the best in New England.

With the pool running on an 8 week schedule and a week out due to rain the attendance shows a marked improvement over last year.

ATTENDANCE RECORDS

Passes	Boys	Girls	Mixed	Total attendance	Cash Total
49	226	353	2986	3614	\$202.25

The Pool was host to Camp Yomecas and Camp Nourse one afternoon for a swimming meet and Middleboro emerged the victor 25-21 over Yomecas.

A new feature this year was an intensive morning instruction period in which 95 odd children came down for the "Learn to Swim Campaign." 10 passed their Beginners Button and 8 their Swimmers button. All were suitably awarded by the Red Cross. The life saving classes attracted 25 of the older group and 16 passed the American Red Cross Tests.

The guards, James Keegan, Weldon Thomas and Douglas MacAulay did a remarkable job and I would recommend they be hired another year. Mason Ryder on the Counter also proved very satisfactory and would make a good man for the pool another year.

Recommendations

I would suggest that a lady be hired to come in mornings and clean the bathhouses and Field House. This would tend to do away with any adverse criticisms that might come up.

Also I would suggest that the Town buy a filter system for the pool as I feel this would pay for itself in a short time. With this system in operation we would find visitors passing through our town would stop to refresh themselves and also nearby towns without pools would visit Middleboro and both would spend money with the merchants.

Along the same lines that the past Supervisors have suggested I would say that a pipe line should be laid so that additional water for filling and cleaning could be made a lot easier and with less expense to the town. The well does not give enough water to replenish the pool as was thought for when it was built.

In closing, I would like to thank all those who helped our season be a success and also thank the Park Board for doing a sincere piece of work throughout the season.

Respectfully submitted,

L. RICHARD TILDEN,
Supervisor of Swimming Pool.

REPORT OF COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE PLYMOUTH COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

Town of Middleboro

H. ARTHUR STANDISH, Town Director

This service is available to every community and family in each of the towns of the county. It brings to each of our towns the resources not only of the local organization, but of Massachusetts State College, especially of its state extension service with its corps of specialists in phases of agriculture and home making.

The Extension Service looks to the towns for assistance in planning and carrying out the local program. In 1938, there were 560 men and women in the county giving this type of help. With their assistance, 5000 Plymouth County homes participated directly in the program, and many others indirectly. Sixteen hundred boys and girls from 10 to 21 years old enrolled in 4-H clubs, 1300 farms were definitely influenced by the agricultural extension work, 1094 were enrolled in home demonstration groups, and many others received help through home and farm visits, letters, telephone and office calls, and other means.

Farmers and others interested in farm products have participated chiefly in the following programs: dairy, poultry, fruit, market garden, farm management, cranberry culture.

Homemakers have participated in various programs in nutrition, clothing, food preservation, home grounds improvement, furniture renovation, kitchen improvement, child development, and recreation.

4-H clubs include poultry, dairy, garden, conservation, handicraft, food, canning, clothing, home furnishing, and other agricultural or homemaking subjects.

Middleboro's chief agricultural interest has been in the poultry, dairy, and cranberry programs, with many farmers also participating in fruit and vegetable projects. The homemakers have participated extensively in clothing and nutrition programs, home grounds improvement, kitchen improvement, and furniture renovation projects.

Boys and girls have been enrolled in the 4-H garden, poultry, handicraft, clothing, home furnishing, and canning projects.

INSPECTOR OF WIRES' REPORT

January 13, 1939

Board of Selectmen,
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit to you my report as Inspector of Wires from January 1 to March 2, 1938.

Total number of electrician report cards received	66
Number of jobs passed	54
Number of uncompleted inspections	12
Number of miles traveled on making inspections	256

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH SAMPSON.

January 19, 1939

Board of Selectmen
Town of Middleboro
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Inspector of Wires for the Town of Middleboro for the period of March 17, 1938 to December 31, 1938.

I have made 336 inspections and have covered 1186 miles in nine and a half months of duty.

The above report covers the work of six local electricians and 22 from neighboring cities and towns.

Most of the outside electricians' work consists of the wiring of signs, oil burners and electrical refrigeration and requires more time and attention (than local contractors' work) as they are not acquainted with our requirements.

By being a member in the International Association of Electrical Inspectors, bulletins are received six times a year on the revision of the National Electrical Code.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the Electric Light Department in general for their co-operation in assisting me in the performance of my duties during my term of office.

Respectfully submitted,

AMEDEO J. GIBERTI,
Inspector of wires.

ANNUAL REPORT MIDDLEBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY

January 12, 1939

To the President and Board of Trustees,
Middleborough Public Library:

I herewith submit the annual report for the year ending December 31, 1938.

We are most happy to be able to report for the first time in several years an increase in circulation. There seemed to be no accounting for the decrease that has taken place for the past four or five years, a condition prevailing the country over, but it is most gratifying to know that once again library circulation is on the up-grade. Records for 1938 show a circulation of 91,565 volumes, a gain over 1937 of 3,689.

The circulation desk is a busy place, especially during the winter months. Around three hundred books are given out every day and sometimes the number reaches seven hundred. Here at the desk are answered the many reference questions that come in, brought by the questioner in person or received over the telephone. Notices for reserve books are made out, circulation figures tabulated and fines balanced each day. Overdue notices and new borrowers cards are issued here. There are no dull moments at the circulation desk, and much activity goes on behind scenes as well. Too many people think that all there is to library work is the pleasant duty of passing out love stories over the counter. Every book that is purchased and put into library use has to go through an elaborate routine of preparation. This process of accessioning, plating, pocketing and marking each book, the making and filing of catalog cards occupies a good part of the time of one assistant. Because of the almost constant wear and tear to which library books are subjected, it takes another assistant almost all her time to keep the books in usable condition and in the proper place on the shelves, for if a book is misplaced among its forty thousand companions, it is as good as lost when it is needed for immediate use. These are but a part of a librarian's varied but pleasant duties. The aim of the librarian and the staff is to make the library ever more useful and of greater service to the community. The greatest need at the present time to accomplish this aim is to once more have the library open during morning hours, about which more is said under the heading "Recommendations."

Book Collection

Books are the very life blood of a library and it is as necessary to renew, replenish and keep frequently circulating the blood-stream of a library as in the human body. Vitalizing material is supplied year by year in the way of the very best books obtainable. During 1938, 1149 volumes of fiction and non-fiction have been added for the edification and entertainment of our readers, as well as sets of encyclopedias and reference books to supply information. Four hundred and forty-seven books have been discarded, some of them lost by borrowers, some rejected because of contagious disease and many worn out from long use and discarded to make room for newer and more useful material. The library now contains 36,848 volumes.

Groups of books in Armenian, Polish, Italian and Spanish have been borrowed from the Massachusetts State Library Commission for use of our foreign readers. A collection of books is still maintained at the Montgomery Home, and a branch library conducted at the home of Mrs. Thomas Pollitt in East Middleboro.

The rental collection continues to be much used, supplying new books when there are not many to be found on the shelves. With only about one thousand new books added in a year, and a circulation of ninety-one thousand, the entire output of new books is absorbed so quickly that it is difficult to find many recent ones available on the shelves. There were 69 rental books added to the collection this year, these being transferred to the regular collection as soon as they had paid for themselves by the two-cent-a-day fine, these fines amounting during 1938 to \$120.39.

It is surprising how much the fines received on over due books amount to in a year. The fine is two cents a day for each overdue book and \$401.48 was collected during the past year. This is turned over to the Town Treasurer according to the laws of Massachusetts, as is also the money paid by out-of-town borrowers who pay one dollar a year for the privilege of using the library, some paying fifty-cent installments for a six months period. Out-of-town borrowers paid \$29.50 for this privilege during 1938.

Work with Schools

Deposits of books are kept in seven schools, 2,638 books being taken home by pupils of these schools and many more read in the "library corner" at the school.

Classes from Bates Junior High School came to the library in the Fall for five lessons on how to make use of the facilities of the library. This means that 150 pupils will all their lives better enjoy using a library because they understand how to use it—how it is operated, how to use the catalog and reference books and understand the arrangement of books on the shelves so that they can locate a book after it has been found listed in the catalog.

Re-Registration

Because there had been no re-registration for ten years and the files were clogged with cards of borrowers who had moved away or for other reasons ceased to be patrons of the library, the Trustees voted to have a re-registration beginning in July. Each card is now stamped with a five-year expiration date, and will automatically be withdrawn or renewed at the end of five years from date of issue. Since July twentieth, 1,916 borrowers have re-registered and 299 new cards have been issued, making a total of 2,215 borrowers.

Activities

Among exhibits at the library have been books and posters on gardening, the Sesqui-centennial of the Constitution, New England and Lenten reading. The Garden Club conducted an iris show throughout April and May, keeping a collection of various species on view in their season. The miniature stage so popular with the children has contained at various times a scene from Snow White, Alice in Wonderland and at Christmastime displayed a Christmas scene with tiny fireplace and stockings, Christmas tree and Santa with his pack.

Book Week was celebrated with exhibits of new books, adult and juvenile, a collection of unique posters made from paper plates decorated with book jackets, the work of Miss Veazie of the staff, and the interior of the library made festive with greens and autumn decorations.

The newspaper column in the *Gazette*, "What's New at the Public Library," continues to give the library and new books publicity. This has also been accomplished through book talks given by the librarian before groups in South Middleboro, North Middleboro, Lakeville and before many organizations in town.

During the summer Miss Theresa Kelley served as an assistant, wishing experience in library work before continuing her studies at college.

The librarian attended the Conference of New England Library Associations held at Manchester, Vermont in June, at which time she terminated her three-year term as executive secretary of the Massachusetts Library Association. With members of the staff she has attended conferences in New Bedford, Brockton, Milton, Kingston and Boston. At the Institute for Small Libraries conducted by the State Library Commission at the Hyannis State Teachers College in May, the librarian spoke on "What's New in Non-Fiction."

Recommendations

The first and most important consideration is that of resuming hours which will include opening in the morning. Five years ago when the whole country was feeling effects of the depression, at the Selectmen's request to economize, the Board of Trustees voted to close the library during the morning hours. There have been constant requests throughout the five years to reopen in the morning. It seems that conditions now warrant this step and that the public is entitled to this service. For the past two years the Finance Committee has been petitioned to allow the small sum needed for this purpose, but has not seen fit to grant the request. Those of us who realize how much it would benefit many people to again have the library available during morning hours sincerely hope that 1939 will see the resumption of a schedule which will allow the library to be open in the morning as well as afternoon and evening.

Railings are very much needed on either side of the marble steps leading from the outer door to the main hall. Several accidents have occurred because of the lack of a rail. Many elderly patrons of the library would be much aided by a railing here, and the possibility of accident reduced.

Much is needed in the way of painting and repairs. The library building is now nearly forty years old and nothing has been done in the way of repairs during this time except fixing an occasional leak in the roof, defects in the furnace and once the interior has been painted through the generosity of the Peirce Trustees. A building as old as this needs more repairs every year, but instead of allowing for this contingency the maintenance fund has been decreased. To maintain the building so it will continue to be a credit to the town, enough money should be appropriated that some bit of repairing can be done each year, thus keeping the building from deteriorating into an unsightly and dilapidated structure which it will so soon become if neglected.

In Appreciation

Sincere thanks are due to the many citizens and organizations who have presented books and periodicals to the library, among them Mr. Carl Kendall for a year's subscription to Zion's Herald, Mr. Benjamin Holmes for a valuable genealogy of the Hall family, Rev. Adolph Rossbach, Mrs. Mary Cleveland and Miss Harriet Johnson for gifts of books and magazines; to the Daisy Troop of Girl Scouts, the Art and Literature Departments of the Cabot Club and the Middleboro Garden Club. Several volumes were added by the Cabot Club to their Memorial Shelf in commemoration of members who have passed away.

The librarian wishes to express grateful appreciation to the many friends who contributed in numerous ways to make the year's work pleasant

and successful, to the staff for their earnest efforts to make the library an indispensable factor in the community and to the Trustees for their kindly co-operation and interest given at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

MERTIE E. WITBECK,

Librarian.

Statistics

Circulation of books

Central library

Adults

Fiction	48,117	
Philosophy	501	
Religion	408	
Sociology	959	
Languages	90	
Science	822	
Useful Arts	1,678	
Fine Arts	1,682	
Literature	1,593	
History	1,073	
Travel	1,528	
Biography	1,519	
Magazines	8,089	
Foreign books	92	
Rental books	1,961	
		70,112

Juvenile circulation

Fiction	10,991	
Non-fiction	7,506	
		18,497

Branches and deposits

Bates School	162	
Rock School	81	
Union Street School	128	
Thompsonville School	103	
Waterville School	117	
West Side School	1,956	
Soule School	91	
East Middleboro Branch	318	
		2,956

Total circulation for 1938

91,565

Circulation for 1937

87,876

Increase in circulation, 1938

3,689

Number of volumes owned January 1, 1938

36,146

Number of volumes added by purchase

1,008

Number of volumes added by gift

63

Number of volumes added by binding magazines

9

Number of volumes transferred from rental collection

69

Total number of volumes added during 1938

1,149

Number of volumes lost and discarded, 1938

37,295

447

Number of volumes owned December 31, 1938

36,848

Number of magazines subscribed

110

Number of newspapers		12
Re-registration began July 20, 1938		
Borrowers re-registered July 20—Dec. 31, 1938		1,916
New cards issued since July 20		
Juvenile	106	
Adult	193	
		299
Total number of borrowers December 31, 1938		2,215

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1938

Peirce Fund Receipts

Balance, January 1, 1938	\$1,034.98	
Peirce Trustees	2,017.06	
		\$3,052.04

Peirce Fund Payments

Books	\$2,267.68	
Balance, December 31, 1938	784.36	
		\$3,052.04

Special Fund Receipts

Balance, January 1, 1938	\$147.77	
Book Sales	126.69	
Rentals	118.66	
Interest, Central N.J. R.R.	50.00	
Interest, Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	25.00	
Interest, Harriet O. Peirce Fund	12.50	
Interest, Harriet C. Beals Fund	25.00	
Interest, N.Y. Central R.R.	50.00	
Interest, Midd. Trust Co. Savings Acct.	17.58	
		\$573.20

Special Fund Payments

Books, Periodicals, Newspapers	\$171.59	
Book Binding	200.59	
Library of Congress	50.00	
Midd. Trust Co.	4.40	
Mass. Library Association	10.00	
Balance, December 31, 1938	136.62	
		\$573.20

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS H. KELLY,
Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF
Middleboro, Mass.



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1938

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Organization 1938

Members

	Term Expires
Fred B. Alger, 5 Court End Avenue, Chairman	1939
Lorenzo Wood, Jr., Plymouth Street	1939
Priscilla S. Alger, 10 Southwick Street	1940
A. Russell Mack, 23 Rice Street	1940
L. Francis Callan, 10 Clifford Street	1941
Forest E. Thomas, 59 Everett Street	1941

Superintendent of Schools

J. Stearns Cushing, 91 Bourne Street
Office, Room 7, Town Hall, Tel. 81

Office Hours, School Days, Monday, Wednesday, Friday 3:30 to 5 P.M.;
Tuesday and Thursday, 8 to 9:30 A.M.

School Committee Meetings

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held in Room 7, Town Hall, on the first Thursday of each month, excepting July and August, at 7:30 P.M.

School Physician

Dr. A. Vincent Smith, 35 Pearl Street
Telephone 50

School Nurse

Miss Helen B. Pasztor, 132 North Main Street
Office Telephone 81

Supervisor of Attendance

Thomas E. Hirst, Pleasant Street

Census Enumerator

Mrs. Carrie L. Jones, West Street

School Calendar

First Term, January 3—February 17.
Second Term, February 27—April 14.
Third Term, April 24—June 9, Elementary Schools.
April 24—June 16, High School.
Fourth Term, September 6—December 22.

No School Days

May 30, October 12, November 30, December 1

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Members of the School Committee:

I herewith present the annual report of the schools of the Town of Middleboro and my twelfth as Superintendent of these schools.

At the end of the last school year our Supervisor of Music, Mr. Wirt B. Phillips, reached the age of compulsory retirement. For nineteen years he has served the schools of Middleboro faithfully and earnestly. During that period of time the music program of the schools has been outstanding in achievement and above all the children of the town developed a real love of song and instrument. Mr. Phillips was always ready and willing to assist in all community musical projects and gave unstintingly of his time and effort for the town. The town has been very fortunate to have had these years of service, which deserve sincere tribute by our citizens.

The filling of the vacancy left by Mr. Phillips was an important task. Many candidates were interviewed and their experience and work carefully reviewed. We were however very fortunate in being able to secure the services of Luther Churchill for the position. A man with many years of supervisory experience, he came to us with the highest recommendations from musical leaders. His work to date has shown the wisdom of the committee's choice and we can continue to be justly proud of the music work done in the schools and the community.

The new Reading series introduced last year has been extended into the second grades of all schools and beginning with the next school year it will be further extended to the third grades. The teachers are finding better results from this system and Reading is showing much improvement.

At the beginning of the school year the Thompsonville school was temporarily closed due to the lack of sufficient number of children. This is the oldest building in town and was built about 1854. It may be of interest to note that the annual report of 1855 says "This is one of our largest and best schools and with the deep interest taken in the school by the parents we trust it will continue." That interest did evidently continue for in the report of 1866 we find "the pupils show that they appreciate the value of a common school education by remaining in school at a more advanced age than in any other school in town." From the largest school in 1855 it became the smallest in 1938 and could not be economically continued in use.

Although a committee was appointed by the town to make the required changes in the Bates school nothing has been done as yet toward making that school conform to the safety regulations of the state. The heating and ventilating systems do not have the approval of the State Building Inspectors and many changes have been ordered by them. The boiler room at the foot of the stairways must either be fireproofed or moved to a different location; the boiler itself, over thirty years old, is too antiquated to give proper distribution of heat to the building classrooms; some rooms have no ventilation except direct window draft; and brick fire walls must be built under stairs to provide further safety. The building is still being used without official approval of the Inspectors, who may at any time order its closing.

A well has been dug at the Waterville School to provide sufficient water supply at that school. Your committee have directed that a well be dug at the Thomastown school and the Town Manager will take charge of that work. Lights will also be installed at the Thomastown school in the near future.

THE NEW UNION STREET SCHOOL

Chronology

- February 10, 1936—A Committee of sixteen appointed to study school building needs.
- November 9, 1936—Committee reported recommending a new eight-room building to replace the old Union Street School.
A Committee of five appointed to receive detailed plans and specifications for report at next Town Meeting.
- January 11, 1937—Committee report presented.
- March 1, 1937—Voted: that if a building be built it be a one-story structure.
- March 8, 1937—Voted: to appropriate \$105,573 for the purpose of financing the construction of, equipping, and furnishing an elementary School building on the Union Street Lot in accordance with the plans and specifications of the Frank Irving Cooper Corporation and for acquiring any additional land.
The Selectmen were authorized to accept Federal assistance and to acquire by right of eminent domain two parcels of land on the westerly side of Union Street.
The Moderator was authorized to appoint a building committee of five members. The following were later appointed: George A. Donner, L. Francis Callan, James J. Wilmot, Bertram L. Thomas, Wendell E. Holloway.
- September 30, 1937—Special Town Meeting amended wording of vote of meeting of March 8 to conform to Public Works Administration Extension Act of 1937.
- October 26, 1937—Bids for removal of houses opened.
- November 9, 1937—Razing of houses begun.
- November 12, 1937—Bids for construction of building opened.
- November 15, 1937—Contract awarded to D'Amore Construction Company for sum of \$81,725.
- November 30, 1937—Construction of building started.
- August 28, 1938—Building opened for public inspection.
- September 7, 1938—First classes attended sessions of school.

The preceding chronology of the Union Street School tells in brief the history of the new building. Opened for use in September, Middleboro now has one of the finest, most modern school buildings in New England. Your Superintendent was invited to sit in on all meetings of the building committee and the co-operation of the builder, architect, building committee, and school department made possible a building that Middleboro citizens may show with pride and most important of all one in which the children are safely housed. This building has allowed the West Side School to be relieved of its two upper grades, now housed in School Street school, and has relieved the overcrowded classes of the latter. It was not necessary to demolish the portable building at the West Side school since that work was almost completely done by the hurricane in September.

There is every reason to believe that we stand at the beginning of a period in which educational policies will be reformulated in the light of the critical social problems confronting the country today. The content of the curriculum, methods of teaching, the control and administration of schools, every aspect of education will be involved.

Because of lack of financial resources, many of the ablest youth in the land, at both school and college levels, are denied the opportunity to continue their schooling. An awareness of this problem is growing upon the

profession and upon the public. A condition under which youth are denied their rightful educational opportunities because of low family incomes is a menace to the general welfare and we shall hear much discussion of this problem in 1939.

To meet an urgent need however some form of practical course in the manual arts should be provided in our High School. These able pupils who must forego further schooling, those pupils who desire to do things with the hands and create or build, those pupils who do not or can not profit from textbooks, all of these should be given an opportunity to express themselves and develop in that educational field. Boys and girls alike should be offered some courses in manual subjects. I have in previous reports urged the adoption of some course and once again I am asking the committee to seriously study this situation that some course may be offered at the beginning of the next school year. In some high schools a course in agriculture has been very helpful and successful. As many of our children come from farms it may be that a course in agriculture with emphasis on small fruits, poultry raising, cranberry culture, and other farm subjects, would be one answer to the problem. The possibilities of and the demand for such a course should be studied and its cost to the town figured to see if it is feasible for installation.

A project now being written will, it is hoped, make many desirable and needed changes in our suburban and central schools. Plans are being drawn for better lighting facilities in the suburban buildings, new toilets at all of these buildings with enclosed walks direct from the rear of the classrooms, painting of both exterior and interior surfaces, regrading of all school yards to improve present muddy conditions and uneven play areas, and many other general improvements. This work, done with federal aid and many materials now on hand, will be at small expense to the town and make these buildings more favorable to proper education. This project will not allow repairs in the form of regular maintenance but would allow the town to receive many improvements in the physical equipment.

Let me urge all to read the appended reports of the different department heads. These will give a summary of the work in each department and many details not included in this report.

There are ninety-six persons employed in our school system and it is only by the unqualified co-operation of all that education can advance. Each has his or her part to do and the faithful fulfillment of that duty, however minor in importance, is necessary for complete success. I wish to extend my sincere appreciation to each and every one who has contributed to the continued advance in education in Middleboro.

Respectfully presented,

J. STEARNS CUSHING,
Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

December 31, 1938

Mr. J. Stearns Cushing, Superintendent of Schools,
Middleboro, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

In making my eighth report as principal of the Memorial High School, I shall try to tell the present conditions of the school in respect to instruc-

tion and equipment, the usual information included for record, and a brief outline of future plans. The latter refer to suggested new types of education that may be introduced as provision can be made for them.

Instruction

At present sixty alumni are successfully enrolled in twenty-four schools of collegiate grade. In addition there are eighty-eight more who in the same period have entered other types of schools. Thus 148 of the 815 who have attended and of the 415 who have graduated in the past four years are continuing their education in some school. While it is true that the sixty in college have influenced the curriculum rather strongly in their favor, it is also true that the recommended practice today is for pupils to follow a college preparatory course in preparation for special training in such fields as business and nursing.

As rapidly as the school has been able to do so, new and useful subjects have been offered. This policy should be continued to include the additional subjects of consumer education, with a bookkeeping course open to all, and safety education, suitable material for the latter having become available. The physical education program is growing gradually although the teachers in this department are handicapped by the teaching of subjects not related to physical education. The present need is for instruction for all instead of a few pupils in healthful living, and corrective work for the many who have very poor posture or other remedial defects that ultimately produce serious results.

The Physical Fitness Index program of Dr. Rogers of Boston University is an example of the type of service that should be made available to our pupils. It classifies pupils into groups for whom health and activity programs most helpful to each may be planned.

The figures given above are evidence of the fact that the school should, as soon as possible, offer some instruction in home economics and manual arts for the pupils who are talented in such work and plan to follow it.

Faculty

The faculty has become increasingly effective each year in the solution of school problems, working in groups on committees. A new report card has been designed and a traffic squad created. The latter project was prompted by one of the major objectives of the school, namely to help pupils to become experienced in the handling of social problems they will meet as voting citizens. Mr. Hyman has been the teacher sponsor of the traffic squad.

A committee composed of teachers and pupils under the leadership of Miss Clutton has furnished a social program that has contributed much to the large number of pupils who have attended the school parties. This phase of school is important since those who can mingle with their fellows socially and be at ease find themselves more confident with the poise so attained. If the social program is to make its maximum contribution to the school, attendance should be limited to the members of the school. Such a policy is recommended for the next school year.

Mr. Farley has accomplished a great deal with freshman class meetings, the purpose of which has been to help the members of the entering class to become adjusted to high-school work. This is a part of the guidance work of the school for which some teacher should assume the entire responsibility. For this work special training is needed since counselling is very difficult work, pupils frequently needing guidance for which an academically trained teacher has not the required preparation.

At present a pupil's program of studies is planned in keeping with his vocational expectations. Some one in addition to the principal and who has more time than he to devote to interviews with pupils should get to know pupils as individuals and have training to make him or her competent to help pupils formulate their plans for the future. An excellent start is made when the pupils make their first elections in the Bates school, but as they grow older many should change their plans in light of new conditions.

The spring concert will be remembered by all who saw it as a fitting climax to the work of the Music Supervisor, Mr. Phillips, who concluded many years of successful service last June. Interest in both vocal and instrumental music had grown steadily under his supervision. Mr. Luther Churchill, building on a good foundation, has continued to increase the music program in the school. A new schedule has made it possible for the orchestra and glee clubs to rehearse in school time with improved results. A boys' glee club of seventy voices has been added to the classes offered. Mr. Churchill's presence at school assemblies has enabled us to have more music at these school functions. Miss Chase has been the chairman of a committee of pupils and teachers which has furnished unusually fine assembly programs this year.

Mr. Thomas L. Maynard, another new member of the faculty, has carried out the duties of his position as teacher of English with excellent success. His ability, keen interest in his work, and very pleasing personality have made him an asset to the faculty.

Mr. Battis has given an unusual amount of time and thought to the very difficult problem of financing our physical education program. His skill and care in the economical purchase and checking of equipment has resulted in our having a much better equipment for athletic teams and a more favorable financial standing. The problem will never be solved until support for athletics can be secured either from the town or by a fenced field. Mr. Hicks as faculty manager of athletics has shared with Mr. Battis in the success of these plans.

More adequate supervision of class instruction is being accomplished by which teachers and principal can keep in close touch with each other in conferences following class visits. Also each teacher makes a comprehensive report of his or her plans for all classes once each marking period.

The Building

A detailed report of repairs and improvements needed is not included in this report since such a report has so recently been submitted to the Town Manager.

Conclusion

There are many signs to indicate that we may be on the eve of a great change in the nature of the instruction that the public high school will offer. Training for economic and social living may take a more prominent place in the curriculum forcing purely cultural subjects, desirable as they may be, into the colleges and junior colleges.

A look ahead suggests that some means should be found to help teachers on the high-school staff to secure the training that will enable them to offer instruction in the new and practical subjects that will prepare more directly for the solution of economic and social problems that each pupil is certain to be called upon to face. A trained guidance counsellor is needed. Other teachers are needed who have special training in administering testing programs, visual education, library science, and in directing student activities in a way that will contribute most to the pupils. A stimulus to improvement in service will accomplish much, but technical training is needed and a revision of the subjects offered with a view to making some teachers free to render special services.

I wish to express my appreciation to the teachers who have cheerfully taken extra duties on the many occasions when teachers have been absent and substitute teachers have not been available.

Respectfully submitted,

LINDSAY J. MARCH

STATISTICAL TABLES

Memorial High School, 1937-1938

Table A
Total Enrollment

	Lakeville	Carver	Middleboro	Boys	Girls	Total
Post Graduates			2	1	1	2
Seniors	14	7	87	51	57	108
Juniors	23	10	88	49	72	121
Sophomores	19	20	114	81	72	153
Freshmen	15	26	148	87	102	189
Totals	<u>71</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>439</u>	<u>269</u>	<u>304</u>	<u>573</u>

Table B
Graduates of Class of 1938

College:	Boys	Girls	Total
Colby College		2	
College of New Rochelle		1	
Dartmouth College	2		
Harvard University	1		
Houghton College		1	
Massachusetts State College	2	1	
Northeastern University	1		
University of Vermont		1	12
Commercial Schools:			
Bryant College		1	
Burdett Business College		2	
Katherine Gibbs School		2	
Williams Business College	1	1	7
Other Schools:			
Fanny Farmer Cooking School		1	
Lowell Textile School	1		
Massachusetts School of Art	1	1	
Nursing Schools		2	
Wentworth Institute	1		
Worcester Academy	1		
Post Graduates at M. H. S.	1	1	10
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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL AND PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Middleboro, Mass.

December 31, 1938.

Mr. J. Stearns Cushing,
Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir:

I herewith present my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1938, showing by statistics the work accomplished during the year. The report is prepared in the order of the year's Clinical program.

Annual Physical Examination in Schools

Assisted the School Physician, Dr. A. V. Smith, in the annual examination of 1771 children. Three hundred and fifty-three defect notices, exclusive of hearing, vision, and dental defects were sent to the homes.

Tonsil and Adenoid defects, found	353
Vision defects found	79
Hearing defects found	16

Defect Corrections during 1938:

Tonsils and Adenoids	67
Vision	35
Hearing	10

Measured all pupils in suburban and central schools once for height; weighed all pupils three times during the year.

Dental Clinic

School Dental Clinics are held each Wednesday morning 9 to 12 o'clock from October to June.

Examination:

School membership of first two grades	293
Number of children examined	292
Number found with dental defects	223
Number found without dental defects	69

Correction of Defects:

Children with defects corrected at the Clinic	196
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Clinic Operation:

Cleanings	16
Fillings, Temporary teeth	93
Permanent teeth	68
Extractions, Temporary teeth	105
Permanent teeth	28
Number of different children treated 1938	196
Number of pupil treatments	304
Dental Certificates issued	78
Emergency Cases	18
Summer Camp children treated	3
Retarded Class children treated	7

Children treated for Welfare Department	36
Amount collected in fees	\$24.10

Note: The completion of the new building and a thoroughly modern Health Unit, fully equipped for dental work, should enable us to give a greater service to the children of our schools.

Lip Reading Class

Financed by the Chandler Ford Fund, Herbert E. Walker, Trustee under the will of Chandler Ford of Marshfield.

Instructor, Miss Harriett Gibson of Brockton.

Class meets on Monday and Thursday of school week in the Union Street School.

This Clinic costs the town nothing and saves the town the cost of pupils repeating their grades, or about \$60 per year each.

County Follow-Up Clinic

Physician: Dr. Poland, Plymouth County Hospital, South Hanson.

X-Ray:

Date: November 14, 1938.

Technician: Mr. John Fuscillo, Plymouth County Hospital.

Number of pupils X-Rayed 41

Absent for X-Ray 1

Negative Plates 25

Referred for examination 16

Physical Examination:

Date: December 12, 1938.

Physician: Dr. Poland, Plymouth County Hospital.

Nurse Assistant: Miss Hilda Lundberg.

Number of pupils examined 17

Discharged from Clinic Follow-Up 6

Transferred from Carver 1

Not examined because of illness 1

Continued on Clinic Follow-Up 10

New Cases added to Follow-Up 2

Total number of children for Follow-Up 14

Junior Red Cross Class in Home Hygiene

Sponsored by the local Red Cross Chapter. Classes held each Tuesday afternoon in the Bates School. Members of the class; twenty pupils of the Bates School, Grade 8. First class held October 4, 1938. Length of course: thirty lessons. Examination held at Bates School. Eighteen pupils passed the course and received certificates from Washington headquarters.

*Note: Visitors are welcome and parents are urged to come and observe the work of these classes.

Adult Tubercular Cases

Type of Cases:

Pulmonary 47

Hilum 7

Bone 3

Cervical Adenitis 1

Kerato-Uvitis	1
Pulmonary Nephritis	1
Total	60

Of this number:

Number of deaths	0
Moved out of town	1
Examined and X-Rayed	8
New cases	4
Patients at sanatorium	3

Opportunity Class Clinic

The examination of all children three or more years retarded in school is required by the general statutes:

Examination held under the direction of Dr. Olga Steinecke of the Taunton State Hospital Clinic Staff.

Dates: April 11 and 15th, two days.

Number of visits made to homes for personal histories of the children	13
Number of days of examination	2
Total number of pupils examined	18

Results of Clinic:

Physical defects needing correction:	
Dental care	7
Tonsils and Adenoids	1
Referred for improved nutrition	1
Physical defects corrected during the year:	
Dental care	7
Tonsils and Adenoids	1

*Note: Defect corrections were made possible through the donations of the following:

Dental Care: Dental Clinic
Tonsils and Adenoids: Junior Red Cross, Middleboro
Teachers' Association.

Diphtheria Prevention Clinic

Date: March 25, April 1st and 8th.

Place: Town Hall, Selectmen's Room.

Physician: Dr. A. V. Smith, School Physician.

Toxoid used in this Clinic.

Certificates were issued stating that the child had received the three treatments of Diphtheria Toxoid.

	Age at time Protected	First Treatment	Second Treatment	Third Treatment
Under	1	12	12	11
	1	24	25	25
	2	15	15	15
	3	12	12	12
	4	5	3	3
	5	9	9	9
	6	34	31	31
	7	25	26	25
	8	8	8	7
	9	3	3	3
	10	1	1	1
	11	1	1	1
Total		149	146	143

*Note: Attendance at this Clinic exceeded the number of last year by 91 children.

Pre-School Clinic

Date: May 20, 1938

Time: 10 A.M.

Physician: Dr. A. V. Smith, School Physician.

Number of children examined 14

Results of clinic examination:

Tonsils and Adenoids Defects	2
Underweights	0
Defective teeth	11
Number of children not vaccinated	11
Number of children vaccinated	3
Number of children immunized against Diphtheria	7
Number of children not immunized against Diphtheria	7

Summer Camp at Plymouth County Hospital

Camp located in South Hanson.

Number of pupils sent dependent upon amount of money received from sale of Christmas Seals.

Amount of money received from the Christmas Seal Sale, \$424.62. Of the amount received, \$424.62, one-half is sent to headquarters and the postage for local letters is deducted leaving a balance of \$184.31, to be used for Summer Camp. Amount used for postage \$28.00.

Number of children sent in summer of 1938, 3. Length of vacation period at camp, June 22 to August 16, eight weeks. Cost per child \$60.00.

Home visits are made to investigate cases eligible for the Summer Camp.

Preference is given in the selection of children according to the following classification prepared by Dr. Bradford H. Peirce, superintendent, Plymouth County Hospital:

1. Children positive to tuberculin and with x-ray evidence of the childhood type of tuberculosis.
2. Children with or without known exposure to tuberculosis, suspected of the childhood type.

3. Children exposed to the disease and who may or may not have reacted to tuberculin.
4. Reactors who have definite malnutrition.
5. Children who are definitely undernourished and underweight.

The above classification should be regarded as the basis for selecting the preferred group of children but should not exclude other children who are in need of Camp care.

Distribution of Milk

Due primarily to the success of the tag day conducted by the Middleboro Lodge of Elks it was possible to have milk distributed to needy undernourished children in the schools from January to May. Milk was also delivered to four suburban schools for hot lunches during the recess periods. Nothing but pasteurized milk is used in our schools.

Number of bottles of milk sold	6,352
Number of bottles of milk given to needy pupils	7,791
Total number of bottles served	14,143

Financial statement:

Balance January 1, 1938	\$345.44
Elks Milk Fund Tag Day	248.05

Includes:

Lucey Shoe Company	\$25.00
Middleboro Beverage Association	15.00
John Cabot Club	5.00
A & P Stores	5.00
Nemasket Community Club	5.00
Home and Community Service, Nemasket Grange	5.00
Sale of milk to children	190.57
Total receipts	\$784.06
Expended for milk and straws	424.30
Balance January 1, 1939, Middleboro Trust Company	\$359.76

Visitations

Visits to homes	414
Visits to Central Schools	568
Visits to Suburban Schools	91
Visits to doctor's office with pupils	57

General Health Education

Professional meetings attended	11
Trips to Lakeville and South Hanson Sanitoria with school children and adults	5
Health talks to parent groups	12
Health literature and leaflets distributed to pupils and parents.	

Office Treatments

Pupils attended in office	398
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Donations Received for Health Work

Fall Brook Mother's Club
South Middleboro—Parent Teacher Association Rock
Junior Red Cross
Nemasket Community Club
John Cabot Club
Middleboro Lodge of Elks, B.P.O.E.
Home and Community Service, Nemasket Grange

Audiometer Ear Test

Arrangements have been made to use the Audiometer for tests of hearing in the month of January in grades five and ten.

Contagious Diseases Among School Children

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Mumps	3	10	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	18
Whooping Cough	3	1	2	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	12
Chickenpox	11	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	14
Scarlet Fever ...	0	0	0	0	7	1	0	1	0	1	10

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN PASZTOR, R.N.,
School and Public Health Nurse.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

December 28, 1938

Mr. J. Stearns Cushing
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Sir:

The annual inspection and examination of all children in the schools was made in the month of September. When physical defects were found all parents were subsequently notified by Miss Pasztor, School Nurse. It is my hope that when these notices are received parents will, as soon as possible, go to their own physician and have the children re-examined and defects corrected. Unless a child is physically fit and feels perfectly well he or she cannot do good school work and cannot make normal progress through the grades.

All pupils who participate in competitive athletics have been examined at different times and none allowed to take part when unfit for the particular type of game being played. During the fall months I have attended the foot-ball games as a further protective measure.

The constant teaching of the proper Health Habits and proper Foods by the teachers and nurse shows in the annual examination to be decidedly worth while. The work of the School Nurse has been great in scope and the benefits from the Clinics held each year show in general health conditions and in the control of contagious diseases among the children.

I wish to call the attention of all parents of children who will enter school for the first time in September, to the Pre-School Clinic held in May. This is an opportunity for such children to be examined before school attendance and is held for those having no regular family physician.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. A. VINCENT SMITH, School Physician.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Supt. J. Stearns Cushing
Middleboro, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit the report of the Music department covering the period from September to January 1939. Inasmuch as my work includes both vocal and instrumental music I shall divide my report accordingly.

VOCAL MUSIC

The vocal music continues to be an interesting part of the school work. In the grades, particular attention is being given to the treatment of monotones, and I have stressed the need of more and more syllable singing in order to develop the ability of the pupils to read music at sight. The seventh grade has been working on three-part music with special emphasis being given on interpretation. The annual concert which is presented by the eighth grade will be an operetta entitled "Tulip Time." The locale is in Holland which lends itself to highly colored scenes, and the music is particularly delightful. In addition to the operetta the eighth grade is working upon a 4H music appreciation project.

A short program of Christmas carols was presented by the pupils of the Union Street School accompanied by a brass quartette from the band. Parents and friends were invited and evidenced no small amount of interest.

At the High School Mr. March has made arrangements whereby all vocal classes and the orchestra meet during school hours. This enables a greater number of pupils to participate and we have a boys' glee club of sixty voices and a girls' club of about one hundred twenty. Music is being practiced weekly in preparation for the spring concert. Occasionally, during assembly programs, the entire student body is given an opportunity to express themselves in song.

Miss Chase of the English Department, Mrs. Matheson of the Art Department, and myself collaborated and presented a pantomime depicting the story of the Nativity as an assembly program. The presentation was so popularly received by the faculty and students that the program was repeated at the annual alumni party.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

The drum corps at the School Street school continues to be an active organization. The group made an excellent showing in the line of march during the Armistice Day parade. The School Street orchestra meets once a week and is preparing for a public performance later in the year. At the

present time the instrumentation is as follows: four violins, one mandolin, two flutes, two trombones, two trumpets and piano. I expect several others to join the group before their public appearance.

The drum corps at the Bates school has been somewhat inactive, however several rehearsals were held prior to Armistice Day and during the parade the corps made a commendable showing. The Bates school orchestra is progressing favorably, practising the music to be played at the concert in February. Their instrumentation is as follows: eight violins, one guitar, one string bass, six clarinets, two trumpets, one trombone, one melody saxophone, one flute, one percussion and piano.

The High School orchestra rehearses once a week during school hours. The first appearance of the orchestra this term was to provide music between the acts of the Teachers' association play. We are now concentrating upon the music to be performed at the spring concert. Their instrumentation is as follows: six violins, one mandolin, two celli, one string bass, four trumpets, three trombones, one horn, twelve clarinets, five saxophones, one flute and piano.

The School Band is practicing every Monday evening under the direction of Mr. Weeman. Plans are being formulated for the annual concert to be held in the spring.

An innovation in the development of young instrumentalists has been the consolidation of the classes which meet on Saturday mornings at the High School. Mr. Weeman is teacher of brass instruments, Mrs. Belmont has charge of the stringed instruments, and I am teaching a heterogeneous group consisting of piccolo, clarinet, alto and melody saxophones. The classes are using a new book of instruction which will enable the teachers to put the groups together and form an orchestra. This provides ensemble experience which is an excellent stepping stone to the school orchestra and band.

Balance of tone in orchestral and band units depends entirely upon the variety of instruments which take part. Two-thirds of the personnel of an orchestra should play stringed instruments if a proper balance is to be maintained. In balancing a band, conditions differ slightly. A band is required to play for two distinctly different functions, concert and parade, and it is expected that both will be equally well done. In order to serve both purposes a band should have about equal representation of brass and reeds.

Parents very often ask what instruments would be best for their child to play. In order to assist, several points are taken into consideration; musical ability, recognition of pitch, formation of teeth and lips, size of hands and length of fingers. After the preliminary test is made my next consideration is the balance of parts in our instrumental organizations. Realizing that if all pupils study the instruments most widely known, viz; trumpet, violin, and alto saxophone, we couldn't have either an orchestra or band, I invariably suggest an instrument which is needed to maintain a balance.

In closing this report I want to express my sincere appreciation to the School Committee, Superintendent, Principals, Teachers and all who have been so co-operative.

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER CHURCHILL,

Supervisor of Music.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ART

*"The learned understand the reason of art; the unlearned
feel the pleasure"*

Middleboro, Mass.
December 23, 1938
J. Stearns Cushing
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my annual report of the Art Department for the year ending December 23, 1938.

Today it is an established fact that no life's education is complete without a just proportion of art. Every avenue in American industry needs more Art Builders. While much has been done in recent years, there is a great field awaiting the young students of today who think of art as a great practical beauty builder capable of lifting all our environment and living above the commonplace. Parents no longer need to exclaim, "I do not want my son to be an artist," or to think that poverty and art go together. The artist of today who fundamentally secures the proper art training is in demand and can top the ladder of success in many avenues of American Art and Industry. Art has stimulated great leaders, inventors and scientists of the past. The art today is developing great leaders for tomorrow. Art is a noble profession and has been so down through the ages, being the greatest lifting influence toward civilization.

Art is being increasingly a part of American needs, and the school curriculums are combining art as an incentive to the learning of many other subjects. Because of this realization, the Art Department this past year correlated art with reading in the first six grades. Each grade submitted a book in June of drawings done by the children illustrating the stories that were read during the year. This project created much interest with the children, because they had to learn to read the story before they could draw. Therefore making one subject an incentive for the other. This project required the knowledge of all the principles of art education that was outlined for the first six grades.

The chief objectives in grades seven and eight have been the finishing of an elementary art education. The work planned for these grades has been specialized and somewhat prevocational in type. The importance of beauty in proportion and structure, lines representing beauty, and good surface enrichment has been emphasized. In addition to the general work the eighth grade girls made their costumes for the music concert presented in February in the Town Hall. In June an Art Exhibition was held at Bates school showing an Art project in Holland.

The aim of art instruction in the High School has not been to develop finished articles or craftsmen. It has been rather to build thoroughly on a foundation of drawing, design, color and the elements of the handicrafts, and then later, through elective courses, to sustain interest by contacts with such fields of opportunity as Illustration, Art in Advertising, Interior Decoration, and Design in Costume. Pupils with special aptitudes and talents have been discovered and conserved, and have been guided to the Art Schools best adapted to meet their particular needs.

The Art Department of the High School has been a service unit this past year. The art room has been a workshop for making posters for entertainments, costumes and stage decorations for the Music of All Nations Concert held last May in the Town Hall, stage-settings for school assemblies, place cards, decorations for socials, illustrations and department headings

for the *Sachem*, and decorations of all kinds for the schools and community activities throughout the year.

In the annual poster contest sponsored by the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, held in Boston last April, many students were awarded prizes for those posters submitted. A total of one hundred posters were sent to the exhibition, with forty-seven receiving awards, which was most satisfactory and highly complimentary.

There is something wholly satisfying in the work that is being done by many of the students of our schools. It simply means that the teaching of art in our schools has developed a much finer and much more general artistic taste than ever before existed.

In closing, I wish to say that I am deeply grateful for the encouragement and assistance rendered by the School Committee, Superintendent, Principals and Teachers, who always have been ready and willing to help. The success we enjoy in the Art Department is due in a large measure to their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

SYLVIA G. MATHESON,

Supervisor of Art.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE

Middleboro, Mass.

December 31, 1938

Mr. J. Stearns Cushing

Superintendent of Schools

Dear Sir:

I herewith present my report as Supervisor of Attendance for the year ending December 31, 1938.

REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Schools	Sickness	Truancy	Other Reasons
Memorial High	110	30	58
Bates	35	9	24
Union Street	10	0	0
School Street	14	4	10
Flora M. Clark	8	2	0
Pleasant Street	6	0	0
Plymouth Street	6	0	0
Soule	2	0	4
Thomastown	2	4	4
Waterville	6	4	6
South Middleboro	6	0	0
West Side	14	14	16
Green	0	0	0
	219	67	122
Visits to homes			245
Visits to schools			69

I wish to thank Superintendent Cushing, Miss Pasztor, Dr. Smith, Chief Sisson, the Teachers and Parents for their help in my work with the children.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS EDWARD HIRST, Supervisor.

STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1937-1938

SCHOOL	Number of Teachers	Number of Pupils Enrolled	Non-resident Pupils Enrolled	Average Daily Attendance	Average Daily Membership	Yearly Percent of Attendance
Memorial High	22	598	148	541.4	563.6	96.1
Bates	11	335	7	316.0	326.1	96.9
Grade VIII	...	144	...	.....	.....	...
Grade VII	...	141	...	.....	.....	...
Grade VI	...	35	...	.....	.....	...
Opp. Class	...	15	...	.....	.....	...
School Street	10	354	1	322.9	335.0	96.0
Grade VI	...	40	...	.....	.....	...
Grade VI	...	31	...	.....	.....	...
Grade V	...	35	...	.....	.....	...
Grade V	...	41	...	.....	.....	...
Grade V	...	23	...	.....	.....	...
Grade IV	...	39	...	.....	.....	...
Grade IV	...	46	...	.....	.....	...
Grade III	...	50	...	.....	.....	...
Grade III	...	49	...	.....	.....	...
Union Street	4	117	1	103.5	111.9	92.5
Grade II	...	28	...	.....	.....	...
Grade II	...	26	...	.....	.....	...
Grade I	...	32	...	.....	.....	...
Grade I	...	31	...	.....	.....	...
West Side	6	144	1	138.6	134.7	96.3
Grade VI	...	29	...	.....	.....	...
Grade V	...	29	...	.....	.....	...
Grade IV	...	21	...	.....	.....	...
Grade III	...	23	...	.....	.....	...
Grade II	...	19	...	.....	.....	...
Grade I	...	23	...	.....	.....	...
Flora M. Clark	2	65	0	63.3	66.1	95.7
Grade II	...	34	...	.....	.....	...
Grade I	...	31	...	.....	.....	...
Pleasant Street	1	28	0	25.3	26.2	96.5
Plymouth Street	1	28	2	23.4	24.6	95.3
Pratt Free	1	16	0	15.7	16.1	97.6
Purchade	1	34	1	25.9	26.9	96.1
Thompsonville	1	8	0	7.5	7.7	97.2
Green	1	21	1	17.9	19.8	90.7
Soule	1	19	0	16.4	18.1	90.9
Waterville	1	17	1	12.9	13.7	94.1
Thomastown	1	20	0	19.0	19.9	95.6
Rock	1	22	2	21.5	22.3	94.5
South Middleboro	1	35	2	27.9	30.4	92.0
Totals	66	1,861	167	1,699.1	1,763.1	95.1

FINANCIAL REPORT—DECEMBER 31, 1938

RECEIPTS

Tuition, State and City Wards	\$1,441.61	
Other Tuition	20,828.94	
General School Fund	16,000.00	
All Other	9.85	
		\$38,280.40

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries		
Superintendent	\$4,000.00	
Teachers	92,725.55	
Janitors	7,813.64	
All Others	1,999.00	
Text Books and Supplies	4,591.73	
Transportation	13,057.20	
Fuel, Light, and Water	5,030.77	
Maintenance Buildings and Grounds	2,355.89	
Insurance	2,242.79	
Other Expenses	222.84	
Tuition	893.66	
Printing, Stationery, Postage	274.37	
Telephone	214.96	
		\$135,422.40
NET COST OF SCHOOLS (Disbursements less receipts)		\$97,142.00

SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1938

Years	Males	Females	Total
5- 6	110	109	219
7-13	518	465	983
14-15	169	146	315
Total	797	720	1517

LIST OF TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1938

High School

- *Lindsay J. March, 17 Barrows Street, Principal
- *Leonard O. Tillson, 11 North Street, Sub-Master, Science
- *Walter G. Hicks, 44 School Street, Head of Commercial Department
- *Ernest E. Thomas, 38 Pierce Street, Head of History Department
- *Herbert L. Wilber, Rock, Latin
- *Joseph R. Hyman, 111 Everett Street, Mathematics
- *Roland C. MacGown, 295 Center Street, Abington, Science
- *Henry E. Battis, 31 School Street, Health Studies, Physical Training
- Alfred E. Farley, Washington Street, Abington, Social Studies
- Thomas L. Maynard, 24 Rock Street, English
- *Mary Brier, 81 Pearl Street, French
- *Chrystal M. Chase, 181 North Main Street, English

- *Alice D. Brawn, 5 Barrows Street, Social Studies
- Mary F. Clutton, 10 Courtland Street, English
- *Anna C. Erickson, 61 Wood Street, Mathematics
- *Helen M. Merselis, 49 School Street, Social Studies
- *Esther L. Moore, 12 Coombs Street, Commercial
- *Lillian M. O'Neil, 21 Pearl Street, Commercial
- Margaret H. Ryder, RFD No. 1, English
- Evelyn F. Whitty, 11 Everett Street, Mathematics, Physical Training
- Bessie M. Veazie, Smith Street, Clerk

Bates School

- *Henry B. Burkland, 50 School Street, Principal, Social Studies, Music
- *Normay W. Lindsay, 327 Wareham Street, Ass't Prin., Science
- *Martinia K. Donahue, 6 Reland Street, English, Music
- Max A. Eaton, 190 North Main Street, Mathematics, Physical Training
- *Lucy E. Merrihew, 22 East Grove Street, Mathematics
- *Abby Rugg Field, 182 North Main Street, English, Home Economics, Crafts
- *Elizabeth H. Benson, 12 Benton Street, English
- *Harriet M. Jones, 56 Everett Street, Social Studies
- *Faye H. Deane, 63 Oak Street, English, Social Studies
- *Effie D. Tucker, 28 Oak Street, Social Studies, Art
- Lois R. Wright, 30 Pearl Street, Opportunity Class
- Mason Leggee, 68 Glendale Street, Brockton, Handicraft

School Street School

- *Donald T. Welch, 5 Crowell Street, Grade VI, Principal
- *M. Alice Jones, 66 School Street, Grade VI
- *Edith Frost, Wood Street, Grade VI
- *Alice R. Begley, 7 Benton Street, Grade V
- *Esther M. Spooner, 66 School Street, Grade V
- *Olive M. Kidd, Wareham Street, Grade V (Leave of absence)
- Benjamin J. Bump, 26 Courtland Street, Grade V (Substitute)
- *Rose Maley, State Street, Sandwich, Grade IV
- *Leah M. Boutin, Wareham Street, Grade IV

Union Street School

- *Lottie N. Lang, 8 Pearl Street, Grade IV, Principal
- *Bessie B. Bailey, 15 Forest Street, Grade III
- *Eleanor H. Thomas, Wareham Street, Grade III
- *Elsie A. Cahoon, 57 Everett Street, Grade III-II
- *Marjorie McClusky, 106 Pearl Street, Grade II
- *Evelyn L. Bailey, 19 Webster Street, Grade II
- *Amelia L. Boutin, Wareham Street, Grade I
- *Sara E. Matheson, 49 Everett Street, Grade I

West Side School

- *Mary R. Hammond, 70 Barden Hill Road, Grade IV, Principal
- *Margaret E. Peck, South Main Street, Grade III
- *Etta W. Toothaker, 29 Oak Street, Grade II
- *Anne L. Washburn, County Street, East Taunton, Grade I

Flora M. Clark School

- *Raye F. Guidoboni, 14 Southwick Street, Grade II, Principal
- *Dora L. Cobb, Wareham Street, Grade I

Suburban Schools

- *Maude DeMaranville, Lakeville, Pleasant Street School
- *Dorothy B. Robinson, 9 Warren Avenue, Plymouth Street School
- *Margaret Sullivan, 8 Taunton Street, Purchase School
- *Hilda G. MacKeen, Miller Street, Green School
- *Elsie LeBlanc, North Street, Soule School
- *Bernice C. Shaw, Plympton, Waterville School
- *M. Louise Nutter, Barden Hill Road, Thomastown School
- *Mildred K. Bowman, 55 South Main Street, South Middleboro School
- Florence C. Giberti, 19 Hillside Ave., Rock School
- Myra A. Shaw, 81 South Main Street, Pratt Free School

*On Tenure List.

Supervisors

- Music—Luther Churchill, East Bridgewater
- *Art—Sylvia G. Matheson, Oak Street

*On Tenure List.

JANITORS

Central Schools

- Charles H. Goodwin, Memorial High School
- John L. Luippold, Assistant, Memorial High School
- Warren Jefferson, Bates School
- Ernest S. Maxwell, School Street School
- John J. Sullivan, Union Street School
- Daniel F. McCarthy, West Side School
- Frank M. Gibbs, Flora M. Clark School

Suburban Schools

- Chester Vickery, Rock School
- Ralph Wilber, South Middleboro School
- Marion L. Nutter, Thomastown School
- James Brooks, Pleasant Street School
- Henry Zion, Plymouth Street School
- Mitchell Canfield, Purchase School
- Edward Fessenden, Green School
- Elsie LeBlanc, Soule School
- Emerson Carpenter, Waterville School

CHANGES OF TEACHERS

Withdrawals

- Carlton Guild, High School
- Nellie L. Sawyer, West Side School (deceased)
- Wirt B. Phillips, Supervisor of Music
- Hazel Long, South Middleboro School

Appointments

- Thomas L. Maynard, High School
- Luther Churchill, Supervisor of Music
- Lois R. Wright, Opportunity Class, Bates School
- Max A. Eaton, Bates School

Transfers

Donald T. Welch, from Bates to Principal School Street School
 Rose Maley, from West Side to School Street School
 Lottie N. Lang, from School Street to Union Street School
 Bessie B. Bailey, from School Street to Union Street School
 Eleanor H. Thomas, from School Street to Union Street School
 Evelyn L. Bailey, from Rock to Union Street School
 Bernice C. Shaw, from Bates Opportunity Class to Waterville School
 Florence C. Giberti, from Thompsonville to Rock School
 Elsie LeBlanc, from Waterville to Soule School
 Mildred K. Bowman, from Soule to South Middleboro School

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Memorial High School

TOWN HALL

Wednesday Evening, June 15, 1938

Class Flower: Red Rose

Class Motto: "Not at the Top, but Climbing"

Class Colors: Scarlet and White

ORDER OF EXERCISES

March of the Graduates	<i>Asther</i>
School Orchestra	
Prayer	
Rev. Harold H. Rogers	
Salutatory and Essay: Pages from Old Records	
Marion B. Thomas	
Essay: Rembrandt Van Rijn	
Alexander Sowyrda	
Cello Solo: To an Evening Star	<i>From Tannhauser—Wagner</i>
Doris C. Powell	
Essay: Girls' Physical Education in Memorial High School	
Teresa M. Kelly	
Essay: Science and the Rainbow	
Joseph C. Cleveland	
Reading: "An Abandoned Elopement"	<i>Joseph Lincoln</i>
Barbara E. Taylor	
Essay: Massachusetts and the Federal Constitution (excused)	
Grace M. Bisbee	
Essay: The Value of a Machine-Operating Course in a School	
Esther A. C. Johnson	

Instrumental Ensemble

Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep

Knight

Nancy S. Alger
 Priscilla Clark
 Hazel Davis
 Emily J. Garafalo
 Dorothy L. Horsman
 Grace F. Logan
 Robert M. Pope

Doris C. Powell
 George B. Purdon, Jr.
 Barbara J. Raymond
 Raymond Rogers
 Marion B. Thomas
 Ralph G. Wilber
 Ellen M. Williams

Andrew M. Wood

Accompanist: Joseph C. Cleveland

Essay: Bird Study as a Hobby

Ralph B. Mendall, Jr.

Valedictory and Essay: The Heavens Are Telling

Andrew M. Wood

Class Ode *Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms*

Words by Eva P. Bagdon

Awards

J. Stearns Cushing, Superintendent of Schools

American Legion Medal—Excellence in Latin

Northeastern University Awards—

Excellence in Mathematics and Science

Excellence in Social Science

Washington and Franklin Medal—Excellence in History

Cabot Club Prizes

The Middleboro Lodge of Elks Scholarship

Alumni Scholarship

Anne White Washburn Scholarship

Cabot Club Scholarship

Presentation of Diplomas

Fred B. Alger, Chairman of School Committee

Benediction

CLASS ODE

Tune: *Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms*

We say fond farewells, for in each of our hearts

Are engraved all the joys of four years.

From the breaking of ties comes emotion that starts

In our eyes the swift misting of tears.

We shall ever be grateful for hours that impressed

The true meaning of service and right;

Coming years will reveal our life's pathway as blessed

And illumed by our school's guiding light.

May the future disclose our lives worthy of rank

To the teachers whose help we received;

May their faith in our powers bring results that will thank

Them in part for success we've achieved.

Years have taught us of trust and of loyalty, too,

By the friendships we classmates have made.

As the thoughts of such friendship last all the years through,

M. H. S. from our hearts shall not fade.

CLASS OF 1938

Classical Course

Naney Strowbridge Alger	Marjorie Anne Lynch
Gladys Anacki	Margaret Elizabeth Oakland
Elizabeth Hope Areher	Aili Miriam Paananen
*Eva Patricia Bagdon	Olive Porter
Edna Mae Corayer	*Leo Leon Preti
Elizabeth Goulding Crosier	John Batcheller Savage
Thalia Florence Eames	*Wilfred Millard Silvia
*Dwight Marshall Fowler	Martha Ann Shaw
Marie Jeanette Greene	**Marion Beatrice Thomas
*Mary Hastings	Myra Adeline Thomas
*Teresa Mary Kelly	Jane Patterson Ufford
John Joseph Leary, Jr.	Phyllis Janette Ward
*Edith Loring Long	Phyllis Frost Wilmot
***Andrew Miller Wood	

Scientific Course

Natalie Burnett	John William Nye
Thalia Illsley Caswell	*Robert Millard Pope
*Joseph Clark Cleveland	George Bartholomew Purdon, Jr.
Charles Leroy Conrad	William Shaw Robbins
John Marvyn daCosta	Raymond Rogers
†Donald Kenwood Fish	Nathaniel Harris Sherman
James Clifford Graham	*Alexander Sowyrda
George Treat Harriman	Edward Joseph White
*Ralph Bertrand Mendall, Jr.	John Patriek White
Ralph Gordon Wilber	

Commercial Course

*Grace Marie Bisbee	Esther Ann Christina Johnson
Priscilla Clark	Alice Arleen Plissey
Isabelle Elizabeth Cordeiro	*Barbara June Raymond
Gladys Helen Craig	Helen Katherine Roberts
Hazel Davis	(N.M.)
Edna Louise Dennett	Helen Katherine Roberts (L.)
Rene Anthony Duphily	Roberta Edith Rogers
Marine Regina Fortin	Hazel Marietta Shaw
Emily Joan Garafalo	*Arlene Claire Sturtevant
Nellie Frances Gurney	*Barbara Esther Taylor
Horace William Harlow, Jr.	Rose Elizabeth Thompson
Robert Frederick Hartling	Margaret Angie Tripp
Dorothy Louise Horsman	Dorothy Mabel Vickery
Margaret Louise Houlihan	*Ellen Marie Williams

General Course

Lois Miriam Barthelmes	Joseph Clifton Hayden
Alma Andreetta Berube	Beatrice Hoard
*Edgar Roy Bigelow	Everett Clayton Hunter
Harold Harkness Chase	Avis Lincoln Johnson
Perey Loring Clark, Jr.	James Cahill Geegan
Chloe Ellsworth Curtis	Lawrence Woodrow Kelley
Albert Fred Grossman	Edward Niilo Korpinen
Marion Winifred Hart	Peter Lagadimos

General Course—Continued

Grace Frances Logan
 Marie Judith Luti
 Jennie Elizabeth Mawhinney
 Helyn Arline Merrihew
 Mary Theresa Murdock
 Roger Darling Newcomb
 Marian Annette Patterson
 Glenice Arlene Perkins

Samuel Ernest Pike
 Doris Clare Powell
 Edward S. Stulpin
 Robert Tribou
 Vincent Oliver Washburn
 Philip Arthur Westgate
 Edmund Yarusites
 Helen Marie Zoin

***Valedictorian **Salutatorian *Pro Merito †Incomplete (illness)

PROMOTION DAY EXERCISES

Bates School

Middleboro, Massachusetts

Town Hall

Wednesday, June 8, 1938

1. March—"Wildflower March" Hewitt

Bates School Orchestra

Under the direction of Wirt B. Phillips, Supervisor of Music

2. Invocation: Rev A. Vaughan Abercrombie
3. Response: "My Soul There Is A Country" Bach
4. The Conquest of a Continent

A pageant based upon the study of our Westward Expansion, arranged by Effie D. Tucker and Henry B. Burkland, teachers of eighth grade Social Studies, and produced through the co-operation of all departments and members of the Faculty.

Prologue, "O Pioneers"

Ruth Bell, Joan Berry, Constance Maynard, Constance Heath,
 Constance Souza

Episode One—Europe Starts Us Off

Queen Isabella, Marcella Patterson
 Her Attendants: Helen Briggs and
 Ernestine Bartlett
 Father Time Robert Fish
 Columbus Paul Harrison
 Balboa, for Spain Vernon Abreau

Drake, for England Robert Dudley
 Leif Erickson, the Norseman
 Harold Parker
 Champlain, for France
 Edward Farley
 Hudson, for Holland
 William Thayer
 Queen Elizabeth .. Alice Wambolt

The Thirteen "Original" Colonies:—Lillian Pina, Eileen Remillard, Mildred Braley, Alice Gomes, Pearl Lees, Margaret Norris, Nellie Gomes, Alice Chase, Elaine Norris, Arthur Gamache, Herman Vickery, Edward Place and Leslie Thomas.

"Follow the Gleam" Chorus

Episode Two—Our First Frontier

"The Northwest Territory"—Betty LeBlanc

"Kaskaskia" by Hague and Chalmers.

British Officers: Albert Carr, Lawrence Carter, Leslie Travers, Joseph Foster and Robert Fuller

Ladies: Jean Alden, Joan Alden, Alberta Fuller, Doris Andrews, Lavinia Chace

George Rogers Clark: Richard Glidden

Father Gibault: John Mello

American Soldiers: Stanley Griniewicz, Alan Higginbotham

Capt. Helm: James Francis

Sergeant Bell: Charles Varney

Mr. Hunt: Louis Forney

Villagers: Andrezia Silva, Mamie Mackiewicz, Lillian Gomes

"Pioneer Song" Chorus

Episode Three—The Frontier Advances

"The Louisiana Purchase"—Marcia Brooks

"Florida"—Evelyn Fanjoy

"The Largest Real Estate Deal Ever Made" by Eleanore Hubbard

Monroe: Alton Kramer

Livingston, American Ambassador to France: Richard Leggee

Marbois, the French Minister: Alfred Menowsky

Albert: Norman Mackenzie

Vocal Solo, "Passing By"—Purcell Hazel Bettencourt

"Lewis and Clark": Elizabeth Bennett

Lewis: Harold Panesis

Clark: Ferdinand LeBlanc

Sacajawea: Barbara Roberts

"Festival Song"—Wilson Girls' Glee Club

Episode Four—The Frontier Crosses The Mississippi

"Texas"—Carol Cushing

Henderson: Kendrick Tribou

Houston: Edwin Caswell

McLeod: Paul Anderson

Ladies on the Capital Balcony: Beatrice Gammons, Verna Salley, Evelyn Wrightington, Shirley Wrightington

"Life Is A Game"—Wilson Boys' Glee Club

Episode Five—The Pacific Coast Becomes the Frontier

"Oregon"—Martha Howard

Scene I—Oregon

Scene II—Washington, D. C.

Settlers: Betty DeMoranville, Edna Lawrence, Alvin Bigelow, Patsy Chiuppi, Leonard Thibeault, Warren Rogers, Maynard Washburn.

Chief Big Bear: Carlton Shaw

Dr. Whitman: Richard Barnett

Daniel Webster: Harold Card

Sir George Simpson: Edward Boucher

Vocal Solo, "Sons of the Soil" Joseph Moquin and Boys' Glee Club

Episode Six—Varied in Climate—Rich in Resources

"California"—Arleen Kinsman

"The Bear Flag Republic"—by Clara M. Love

Donna Maria: Virginia Brothers

Isabella: Doris Sturgis

Carmelita: Shirley Keough

Josephine: Eunice Cardini

Rillo: Francis Murphy

Juanita: Cecilia Travassos

General Vallejo: Thomas Cleverly

Ide: John Dunn

Semple: William Washburn

Grigsby: Arthur Standish

Merritt: George Gove

"Serene Is the Night"—Spanish Folk Song Girls' Glee Club

Episode Seven—The Continental Frontier Ends

“Alaska”—Sylvia Perkins

Americans: Ivan Logan, Jamison Kendall, Robert Leary, Gordon Haskell,
Melville Matthews

Russians: Burton Niro, Charles Shaw, Roselle Johnson, Eveline Fuller

Dancer: Beverly Trites

“Indian Chief”—Strickland Bates School Orchestra

Episode Eight—We Become A World Power

“In the Pacific”—Rosella Mitchell

“In the Caribbean”—Jane MacGown

Hawaiian Scene: Elaire Alexander, Lesley Graham, Florence Thompson,
Elinor McLeod, Doris Freeman, Alice Zakarian

Vocal Solo—“Aloha Oe” Aram Bedrosian and the Chorus

Gen. Goethals: John Lacombe Major Gorgas: Edward Moquin

Epilogue

The Frontiers of Science and Invention are explored by our
people who have brought us the customs of Europe modified
into American Life.

Columbia—Lorraine Leighton

Her Daughters: Elizabeth Mitchell, Mary Duggan, Edith Deane, Lucy
Hill, Anita Young, Rose Martin, Edith Shaw, Naomi Haskins, Ruth
Pendleton, Ruth Thomas, Virginia Taylor, Shirley Westgate, June
Morris, and Nellie Swietlowich.

“Land of Our Fathers”—Webbe The Chorus

5. Awarding of Honors

J. Stearns Cushing, Superintendent of Schools, Middleboro
American Legion Medal for Excellence in Mathematics

6. Presentation of Certificates of Promotion

Fred B. Alger, Chairman, Middleboro School Committee

7. Class Song—by Constance Maynard

Tune: “April Showers”

Though our promotion is here today—we will remember Bates School
always.

When we're discouraged let's not forget—our friends and teachers, kind
and true,

Let's give them no regrets!—so now it's “Onward”—we look ahead

Keep going forward—with upraised head.

And so we'll keep on smiling, singing—whatever is the test

Remembering “We're from Bates” we'll do our best!

8. Benediction Rev. Edward J. Reid

9. March—“Cavalry Coming” Crammond
The Orchestra

School Colors—Blue and Gold

School Motto—“Onward”

PROMOTION LIST, BATES, 1938

Abreau, Vernon A.	Higginbotham, Alan F.
Alden, Jean	Hill, Lucy M.
Alden, Joan	Howard, Martha C.
Alexander, Elaire B.	Johnson, Roselle L.
Anderson, Paul T.	Kendall, J. Jamison
Andrews, Doris E.	Keough, Shirley E.
Barnett, Richard A.	Kinsman, Arleen M.
Bartlett, Ernestine L.	Kramer, Alton
Bedrosian, Aram K.	Lacombe, John A., Jr.
Bell, Ruth E.	Lawrence, Edna R.
Bennett, Elizabeth W.	Leary, Robert E.
Berry, Joan	LeBlanc, Betty
Bettencourt, Hazel B.	LeBlanc, Ferdinand L.
Bigelow, Alvin M.	Lees, Pearl C.
Boucher, Edward J.	Leggee, Richard E.
Braley, Mildred L.	Leighton, Lorraine S.
Briggs, Helen E.	Logan, J. Ivan
Brooks, Marcia E.	MacGown, Jane
Brothers, Virginia M.	MacKenzie, Norman B.
Card, Harold E.	Mackiewicz, Mamie
Cardini, Eunice M.	Mackiewicz, Mary A.
Carr, Albert J.	Martin, Rose K.
Carter, Lawrence	Matthews, Melville T.
Caswell, Edwin B.	Maynard, Constance L.
Chace, Lavinia E.	McLeod, Elinor C.
Chase, Alice E.	Mello, John F.
Chiuppi, Patsy J.	Menowsky, Alfred A.
Cleverly, Thomas F.	Mitchell, Elizabeth E.
Cushing, Carol A.	Mitchell, Rosella
Deane, Edith L.	Moquin, Edward A.
DeMoranville, Betty A.	Moquin, Joseph C.
Dudley, Robert W.	Morris, June E.
Duggan, Mary E.	Murphy, Francis P.
Dunn, John W.	Niro, Burton A.
Fanjoy, Evelyn G.	Norris, Elaine
Farley, Edward J., Jr.	Norris, Margaret C.
Fish, Robert	Panesis, Harold
Forney, Louis H.	Parker, Harold F.
Foster, Joseph M.	Patterson, Marcella A.
Francis, James A.	Pendleton, Ruth M.
Freeman, Doris E.	Perkins, Sylvia T.
Fuller, Alberta	Pina, Lillian M.
Fuller, Eveline A.	Place, Edward E.
Fuller, Robert E.	Remillard, Eileen M.
Gamache, Arthur G.	Roberts, Barbara A.
Gammons, Beatrice A.	Rogers, Warren A.
Glidden, Richard L.	Salley, Verna L.
Gomes, Alice C.	Shaw, Carlton T.
Gomes, Lillian E.	Shaw, Charles W.
Gomes, Nellie M.	Shaw, Edith G.
Gove, George E., Jr.	Silva, Andrezia R.
Graham, Lesley M.	Souza, Constance M.
Griniewicz, Stanley J.	Standish, Arthur L., Jr.
Harrison, Paul S.	Sturgis, Doris M.
Haskell, Gordon H.	Swietlowich, Nellie C.
Haskins, Naomi L.	Taylor, Virginia M.
Heath, Constance	Thayer, William E., Jr.

Thibeault, Leonard J.
 Thomas, Leslie W.
 Thomas, Ruth M.
 Thompson, Florence G.
 Travassos, Cecilia A. L.
 Travers, L. Frederick
 Tribou, Kendrick H.
 Trites, Beverly A.
 Varney, Charles R.

Vickery, Herman H.
 Wambolt, Alice M.
 Washburn, Maynard C.
 Washburn, William K.
 Westgate, Shirley L.
 Wrightington, Evelyn M.
 Wrightington, Shirley O.
 Young, Anita M.
 Zakarian, Alice R.

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Pratt Free School

Thursday, June 9, 1938

PROGRAM

March—Parade of the Amazon

Accompanied by Mrs. Marion Cowan

Invocation

Rev. Harold H. Rogers

“Salutatory”

Virginia Mae Nourse

Oration—“Radio Broadcasting”

Alan Christian DeMoranville

Essay—“The Life of Enoch Pratt”

Ethel Estelle Fickert

Recitation—“Women and Baseball”

Carolyn Elizabeth Drake

Songs—(a) “The Days of Long Ago”

(b) “When the Roses Bloom Again”

Assisted by Miss Anne H. Andrews

Poem—“Class of 1938”

Doris Leola Craig

“Our Trip”

Marion Ellen Commeau

Essay—“New Americans”

“Valedictory”

William Warren Tharion

Selections—“Our Director”

“Neptune”

By the North Middleboro Band

Play—“Happy Days”

Characters

Edward Clark	Warren Tharion
Edith Clark	Marion Commeau
Lucile	Doris Craig

Betty	Virginia Nourse
Paul Patterson	Alan DeMoranville
Mrs. Ida Fuller	Ethel Fickert
Lawrence ("Larry") Day	John Carver
Geneva	Carolyn Drake
Herman Brown	George Lee
Rosemary Smith	Dorothy Cowan

Act I—Three o'clock in the afternoon

Act II—Four o'clock

Act III—Five o'clock

Class Song

Presentation of Diplomas

Judge B. J. Allan

Benediction

CLASS SONG

Tune: *Gold Mine in the Sky*

By Dorothy Louise Cowan

Now the time has come to part classmates Dear,
 With the friends we've learned to love year by year,
 Let us not forget our pledge at Pratt Free School,
 "On to the Top," be our motto and our rule.
 We have played and worked together day by day,
 Sharing many joys and sorrows on the way;
 Now as to a bigger world our minds are turned,
 We will not forget the precepts we have learned.

Chorus:

We may never meet again as of yore,
 But in dreams we will return once more,
 And recall the happy days now gone by,
 All the lessons, pranks, and games of Junior High,
 "On to the Top," "On to the Top," "On to the Top."

Graduates

Marion Ellen Commeau

Dorothy Louise Cowan

Doris Leola Craig

Alan Christian DeMoraville

Carolyn Elizabeth Drake

Ethel Estelle Fickert

Virginia Mae Nourse

William Warren Tharion

Class Motto: "On to the Top"

Class Colors: Rose and Silver

Class Flower: Sweet Pea

Principal, Mrs. Myra A. Shaw

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Middleborough, Massachusetts.

The annual report of the Board of Assessors for the year ending December 31, 1938, is respectfully submitted herewith.

Recapitulation

Appropriations	\$456,730.16	
Deficits in Overlay		
1935	707.37	
1936	2,748.07	
State Assessments for 1938		
State Tax	11,520.00	
1937 Underestimate	1,080.00	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	185.98	
Hospital and Home Care for Civil War Vets.	420.00	
State Parks and Reservations	288.39	
1937 Underestimate	85.43	
County Assessments for 1938		
County Tax	16,711.42	
Tuberculosis Hospital	4,411.48	
Overlay	9,554.66	
TOTAL		\$504,442.96

Estimated Receipts

Income Tax	\$37,145.00	
Corporation Taxes	6,021.78	
Reimbursement, State Owned Lands	112.48	
Motor Vehicle Excise	16,448.18	
Licenses	6,790.20	
Fines	408.40	
Peirce Trustees Donation	7,930.81	
Unclassified	1,220.68	
General Government	1,748.17	
Protection of Persons and Property	3,416.23	
Health and Sanitation	2,795.24	
Highways	97.52	
Charities	29,757.48	
Old Age Assistance	24,069.49	
Soldiers' Benefits	877.37	
Schools	18,423.14	
Libraries	498.00	
County Dog Licenses	1,671.15	
Public Service Enterprises (Water Dept.)	25,541.70	
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	5,239.39	
Veterans' Exemptions	323.13	
Additional Receipts	13,000.00	
		\$203,535.54
Over estimate of previous year's State Tax	772.11	
Available Funds	16,000.00	
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		\$220,307.65
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation on polls and property		\$284,135.31

Number of Polls 2,657 @ \$2.00 each. Tax \$5,314.00
 Total Valuation \$7,876,305 Tax Rate \$35.40
 Personal Property \$566,990 Personal Property Tax \$20,071.53
 Real Estate \$7,309,315 Real Estate Tax \$258,749.78
 Water Liens \$27.57

Value of Assessed Personal Estate

Stock in Trade	\$175,285.	
Machinery	54,435.	
Live Stock	76,125.	
All Other Tangible Personal Property	261,145.	
		<u>\$566,990.</u>

Value of Assessed Real Estate

Buildings exclusive of land	\$4,953,480.	
Land exclusive of buildings	2,355,835.	
		<u>\$7,309,315.</u>

Total Value of All assessed property January 1, 1938	\$7,309,315.
Total Value of Omitted property, December 10, 1938	3,860.
Total Value of All assessed property, December 31, 1938	\$7,313,175.

Number of Live Stock Assessed

Horses	98
Neat Cattle	
Cows	836
Yearlings, bulls, heifers	127
Swine	15
Sheep	66
Fowl	37,570
All Other	30

Number of Dwelling Houses assessed	2,145
Number of Acres of Land assessed	41,150

Property Exempt from Taxation

Property of the Commonwealth, Real Estate	\$30,300.
Property of literary, benevolent and charitable institutions, Personal and Real	175,350.
United States Post Office, Real Estate	105,000.
Court House, Personal and Real	67,000.
Churches, Real Estate	324,170.
Cemeteries, Real Estate	52,710.
Schools, Personal and Real	360,970.
Town Hall, Personal and Real	161,900.
Library, Personal and Real	88,220.
Fire Department, Personal and Real	91,280.
Gas and Electric Department, Personal and Real	347,430.
Water Department, Personal and Real	341,820.
Middleboro Home, Personal and Real	33,600.
Town Barn, Park St., Personal and Real	27,020.
Swimming Pool and Playground, Real Estate	108,095.
Property Owned by the Town, Real Estate	11,680.
Peirce Trustee Property, Real Estate	92,545.
	<u></u>
Total	\$2,419,090.

Motor Vehicle Excise

Number of Motor Vehicles assessed	3,147
Value of Motor Vehicles assessed	\$598,785.00
Tax on Vehicles assessed	\$17,993.84
Rate per thousand	\$35.15

Abatements

Taxes abated in 1938

	Polls and Property	Excise Tax
Levy of 1936	\$1,217.93	\$126.51
Levy of 1937	\$2,525.85	\$12.49
Levy of 1938	\$3,121.46	\$1,094.12
Total abatements on polls and property		\$6,865.24
Total abatements on Motor Vehicles		\$1,233.12

Summary of All Taxes Committed in 1938

Commitment on polls and property	\$284,347.95
Commitment on Motor Vehicles	\$17,993.84

BENJAMIN C. SHAW,
HARRISON F. SHURTLEFF,
FRED F. CHURBUCK,
Assessors, Middleboro, Mass.

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report as Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for the year 1938.

Cash Receipts January 1, 1938, to December 31, 1938

Taxes	\$350,279.23
Licenses and Permits	7,916.00
Electric Light Department	134,572.42
Gas Department	37,706.38
Water Department	25,865.56
All Other Departments	158,991.63
Gas and Electric Light Department for Electric High Tension Project	28,000.00
Loans	268,000.00
Grants and Gifts	61,803.10
Miscellaneous Receipts	8,519.98
Total Receipts	\$1,081,654.30
Cash on Hand January 1, 1938	97,320.97
	\$1,178,975.27

Total Expenditures on Warrants	1,028,253.22
Cash on Hand December 31, 1938	150,722.05
	\$1,178,975.27

Cash Reconciliation December 31, 1938

Middleboro Trust Company, General Account	\$99,615.91
Cash in Office	130.00

Merchants National Bank:

General Account	25,000.00
P.W.A. Union Street School	3,272.72
P.W.A. Water Unit	975.03
P.W.A. Electric Hi Tension	21,728.39
	\$150,722.05

A more detailed account will be found in the complete report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER L. SHAW,
Town Treasurer.

TRUST FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF TOWN TREASURER

DECEMBER 31, 1938

Maria L. H. Pierce Charity Fund:

Savings Account	\$3,798.74
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Enoch Pratt Library Fund:

Savings Account	668.75
City of Troy, N. Y., Bonds	5,000.00
Kansas City Terminal R. R. Bonds	5,000.00
	\$14,467.49

Water Investment Fund:

N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co., Bonds	\$4,000.00
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Cemetery Trust Funds in Middleborough Trust Company, including principal and interest	26,364.00
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Cemetery Trust Funds in Middleborough Savings Bank, including principal and interest	39,721.68
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Anyone wishing a detailed list of all Cemetery Trust Fund accounts may apply to the Town Treasurer's office.

CHESTER L. SHAW,
Town Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

December 31, 1938

Outstanding Taxes:

Tax Levy, 1937 Real Estate	\$25,376.04
Tax Levy, 1938 Real Estate	74,753.41
Tax Levy, 1937 Polls	82.00
Tax Levy, 1938 Polls	112.00
Tax Levy, 1936 Excise	2.00
Tax Levy, 1937 Excise	216.10
Tax Levy, 1938 Excise	237.16
Tax Possessions	635.20
Tax Title Account	3,509.65
	\$104,923.56

Respectfully Submitted,

CHESTER L. SHAW,
Collector of Taxes.

OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS

December 31, 1938

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL LOAN

Paid from Taxation

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
121 to 130 incl.	\$10,000	April 1, 1927	April 1, 1939	4%
131 to 140 incl.	10,000	April 1, 1927	April 1, 1940	4%
141 to 150 incl.	10,000	April 1, 1927	April 1, 1941	4%
151 to 160 incl.	10,000	April 1, 1927	April 1, 1942	4%

FIRE DISTRICT LOAN (Water Tower)

Paid by the Water Department

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
35	\$1,000	May 15, 1915	June 1, 1939	4%
36	1,000	May 15, 1915	June 1, 1940	4%
37	1,000	May 15, 1915	June 1, 1941	4%
38	1,000	May 15, 1915	June 1, 1942	4%
39	1,000	May 15, 1915	June 1, 1943	4%
40	1,000	May 15, 1915	June 1, 1944	4%
41	1,000	May 15, 1915	June 1, 1945	4%

FIRE DISTRICT LOAN (Filter Bed)

Paid by the Water Department

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
62	\$1,000	July 1, 1913	January 1, 1939	4%
63	1,000	July 1, 1913	January 1, 1940	4%

WATER MAINS LOAN (East Middleboro)
Paid from Taxation

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
332, 333	\$2,000	July 1, 1934	July 1, 1939	3½%

WATER MAINS LOAN (Peirce Street)
Paid by the Peirce Trustees

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
341	\$1,000	July 1, 1934	July 1, 1939	3%

COURT HOUSE AND POLICE STATION LOAN
Paid by the Peirce Trustees

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
384, 385, 386	\$3,000	August 1, 1935	August 1, 1939	2%
387, 388, 389	3,000	August 1, 1935	August 1, 1940	2%
390, 391, 392	3,000	August 1, 1935	August 1, 1941	2%
393, 394, 395	3,000	August 1, 1935	August 1, 1942	2%
396, 397, 398	3,000	August 1, 1935	August 1, 1943	2%
399, 400, 401	3,000	August 1, 1935	August 1, 1944	2%
402, 403	1,500	August 1, 1935	August 1, 1945	2%

COURT HOUSE AND POLICE STATION LOAN
Paid by the Peirce Trustees

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
411	\$600	April 15, 1936	April 15, 1939	2¼%
412	600	April 15, 1936	April 15, 1940	2¼%
413	600	April 15, 1936	April 15, 1941	2¼%
414	600	April 15, 1936	April 15, 1942	2¼%
415	600	April 15, 1936	April 15, 1943	2¼%
416	600	April 15, 1936	April 15, 1944	2¼%
417	600	April 15, 1936	April 15, 1945	2¼%
418	450	April 15, 1936	April 15, 1946	2¼%

WATER STORAGE TANK AND SAND FILTER UNIT
Paid by Water Department

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
460, 461	\$2,000	November 1, 1937	November 1, 1939	1¾%
462, 463	2,000	November 1, 1937	November 1, 1940	1¾%
464, 465	2,000	November 1, 1937	November 1, 1941	1¾%
466, 467	2,000	November 1, 1937	November 1, 1942	1¾%
468, 469	2,000	November 1, 1937	November 1, 1943	1¾%

UNION STREET SCHOOL
Paid by Taxation

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
429, 430, 431, 432	\$4,000	Nov. 1, 1937	Nov. 1, 1939	1¾%
433, 434, 435, 436	4,000	Nov. 1, 1937	Nov. 1, 1940	1¾%
437, 438, 439	3,000	Nov. 1, 1937	Nov. 1, 1941	1¾%

440, 441, 442	3,000	Nov. 1, 1937	Nov. 1, 1942	1¾%
443, 444, 445	3,000	Nov. 1, 1937	Nov. 1, 1943	1¾%
446, 447, 448	3,000	Nov. 1, 1937	Nov. 1, 1944	1¾%
449, 450, 451	3,000	Nov. 1, 1937	Nov. 1, 1945	1¾%
452, 453, 454	3,000	Nov. 1, 1937	Nov. 1, 1946	1¾%
455, 456, 457	3,000	Nov. 1, 1937	Nov. 1, 1947	1¾%

FEDERAL EMERGENCY RELIEF LOAN

Paid by Taxation

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
479	\$10,000	October 10, 1938	October 10, 1939	.50%

TAX ANTICIPATION LOAN

Paid by Taxation

Note Nos.	Amount	Date	Due Date	Rate of Interest
480	\$25,000	Dec. 15, 1938	Nov. 15, 1939	.13%
481	25,000	Dec. 15, 1938	Nov. 15, 1939	.13%
482	25,000	Dec. 15, 1938	Nov. 15, 1939	.13%
483	25,000	Dec. 15, 1938	Nov. 15, 1939	.13%

Paid by Taxation \$181,000

Paid by Peirce Trustees 25,150

Paid by Water Department 19,000

Total Indebtedness Outstanding \$225,150

CHESTER L. SHAW,
Town Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES UNDER THE WILL OF THOMAS S. PEIRCE

January 14, 1939

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Middleborough, Mass.

Gentlemen:

We submit to you herewith the annual report of the Trustees under the will of Thomas S. Peirce showing the condition of the two funds cared for by us. Statements of receipts and disbursements are included in this report as are payments made for the Use and Benefit of the Town of Middleborough.

Fund Held in Trust for Use and Benefit of Town of Middleborough

Stocks—Inventory value	\$183,347.73	
Bonds—Inventory value	13,428.75	
Mortgages and Notes	144,907.51	
Real Estate	129,710.62	
Real Estate under foreclosure	38,870.37	
Furnishings and Fixtures at Nemasket House	25.00	
Cabinet at Public Library	100.00	
Office Equipment	155.50	
Savings Bank Deposits		
Worcester	\$1,000.00	
Wareham	2,000.00	
Quincy	1,000.00	
		4,000.00
Cash	11,939.72	
		\$526,485.20

Income Account

RECEIPTS

Rentals	\$8,841.86	
Dividends	4,309.95	
Interest	7,487.89	
Sundries	262.91	
		\$20,902.61

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries, Trustees and Clerk	\$2,679.84	
Janitor	1,420.00	
Insurance	1,145.73	
Repairs—Labor and Material	5,009.24	
Light and Heat	979.60	
Water	307.31	
Sundries	288.33	
		\$11,830.05

Net Income for the year 1938	\$9,072.56
Balance on hand January 1, 1938	2,918.09
	\$11,990.65

PAID FOR USE AND BENEFIT OF THE TOWN

Courthouse Notes and Interest	\$4,161.37
Peirce Street—Water Mains, Notes and Interest ..	1,045.00
Union Street School Fencing	572.95
Bates School Manual Training	413.72
Public Playground Project	137.17
	6,330.21
Balance on hand, January 1, 1939	\$5,660.44

Fund Held in Trust for the Middleborough Public Library

Bonds—Inventory value	\$26,865.00
Stocks—Inventory value	11,577.04
Savings Bank Deposits	10,959.52
	\$49,401.56
Total income for the year 1938	\$2,017.06
Paid to Treasurer of Public Library	\$2,017.06

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR D. BENSON,
 FREDERICK S. WESTON,
 FLETCHER CLARK, JR.,
 Trustees under the will of Thomas S. Peirce.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1938

RECEIPTS

Taxes

Levy of Current Year

Polls

Excise

Real Estate—Personal

\$5,162.00
15,897.69
200,841.26

Levy of Previous Years

Polls

Excise

Real Estate—Personal

66.00
1,158.43
82,538.72

From State

Income

Corp. & Machinery

Reimbursement loss of taxes

35,474.14
9,028.51
112.48

Total Taxes

\$350,279.23

Licenses and Permits

Liquor

Pedlars

Sunday

Pool, Billiards and Bowling

Milk

Dealer and Garage

Common Victuallers

Gasoline

Sunday Music

Jitney

Beano

Junk

\$6,272.00
114.00
58.00
2.00
137.50
113.00
126.00
422.00
92.00
8.00
76.00
45.00

DISBURSEMENTS

General Government

Moderator

Salary
Total Moderator

\$25.00
\$25.00

Finance Committee

Expenses

Total Finance Committee

\$121.50
121.50

Selectmen

Expenses

Postage

Printing Town Report

Office Supplies

Advertising

Meals

Dues

\$20.30
504.00
46.60
79.59
9.35
10.00

Total Selectmen

669.84

Town Manager

Salaries

Town Manager

Clerk

\$4,237.50
732.93

Transportation

Expenses

313.20

Stationery and Postage

Printing and Advertising

Bonds

51.36
6.63
20.00

135

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All Other	131.84	
Insurance	179.04	
Total Town Treasurer and Collector		6,899.19
Assessors		
Salaries		
Chairman	\$700.00	
Assessors (2)	1,100.00	
Clerk	1,040.00	
Transportation	110.92	
Expenses		
Stationery and Postage	7.00	
Printing Street Lists	219.52	
Printing and Advertising	34.11	
Office Supplies	351.86	
All Other	10.22	
Total Assessors		3,573.63
		137
Salary		
Total Town Counsel	\$600.00	600.00
Expenses		
Total Planning Board	\$10.00	10.00
Salaries and Wages		
Registrars	\$296.25	
Election Officers	645.30	
Expenses		
Stationery and Postage	5.00	
Printing and Advertising	122.16	

Meals	65.65		
All Other	43.39		
Total Election and Registration			1,177.75
Town Hall			
Salary			
Agent			
Vacation	\$1,456.00		
	35.00		
Expenses			
Fuel	417.50		
Light	493.41		
Repairs	500.42		
Insurance	844.96		
Telephone	374.10		
Water	11.97		
All Others	93.53		
Town House Lawn	13.60		
Total Town Hall			138
			4,240.49
Police Department			
Salaries			
Chief	\$2,400.00		
Sergeant	1,895.63		
Patrolmen (4)	5,250.23		
Clerk	1,248.00		
Janitor	936.00		
Specials and Matron	585.21		
Transportation	349.01		
Equipment	109.32		
Expenses			
Fuel	593.18		
Police Department			
Rent	\$2,200.00		
All Other	129.65		
Total Police Department	2,329.65		

Light	91.64
Printing	23.00
Telephone	119.74
Street Markings	59.75
Water	27.57
All Other	36.15
Repairs—Bldg. and Grounds	50.56
Expenses—Bldg. and Grounds	192.67
Total Police Department	13,967.66

Fire Department

Salaries and Wages	
Chief	\$2,320.76
Permanent Men	15,191.77
Call Men	4,921.00
Equipment	675.19
Hydrant Rental	2,050.00
634.00	

Fire Department

Sale of Old Materials	\$80.00
Outside Fires—Lakeville	554.00

Total Fire Department

Expenses	
Maintenance and Repairs	777.20
Fuel	400.93
Light	275.50
Water	26.81
Insurance	307.65
Other Supplies	168.57
Stationery and Printing	6.35
Telephone	57.18
Total Fire Department	27,178.91

Inspector of Wires

Salary	\$400.00
Transportation	62.38
Expenses	25.00
Total Inspector of Wires	487.38

Fees	Sealer of Weights and Measures		
	Salary	\$713.25	
Total Sealer Weights and Measures	Transportation Expense	193.72	
	Total Sealer Weights and Measures	56.73	963.70
Private Work	Moth Department		
	Wages	\$2,497.59	
Total Moth Department	Expenses		
	Repairs Sprayers	114.32	
	Insecticides	534.85	
	New Equipment	36.45	
	Trucks	586.40	
	Insurance	187.03	
	All Other	10.78	
	Total Moth Department		3,967.42
Private Work	Trimming Trees		140
	Wages	\$670.48	
Total Trimming Trees	Transportation Expenses	10.31	
	Total Trimming Trees	16.67	697.46
Outside Fires	Forest Fires		
	Wages	\$334.98	
Total Forest Fires	Transportation Expenses	15.07	
	Total Forest Fires	14.59	364.64
	Dog Officer		
	Salary	\$250.00	
	Transportation and Expenses	30.00	
	Total Dog Officer		280.00

Health and Sanitation

Health

Contagious Diseases
Tuberculosis
Plumbing Inspection
All Other

Sanitation

Sewer Service

Dental Clinic

Total Health and Sanitation

\$112.00
109.00
426.00
261.35

355.64

42.00

1,305.99

Health and Sanitation

Salaries

Agent \$831.50
Nurse 999.84
District Nurse 300.00
Plumbing Inspector 400.00
Dental Clinic 300.00
Inspector of Animals 200.00

Wages

Street Cleaning 1,123.20
Sewer Collection 1,039.21
Garbage Collection 1,134.00
Garbage Coll. Asst. 150.00
Rubbish Collection 1,506.55
Vacation 91.20
Dump 260.00

Transportation

Expenses

Stationery 21.76
Advertising and Printing 47.00
Insurance 188.37
All Other 64.01

Contagious Diseases

Board and Treatment 544.38
Medical Attendance 79.00
Drugs and Medicine 99.06
Dry Goods Clothing 76.44
Hospital 184.15

Tuberculosis

Board and Treatment 765.20
County Hospital 4,412.04

Vital Statistics			
Births	33.75		
Deaths	24.25		
St. Luke's Hospital	500.00		
Dental Clinic	77.64		
All Other—Bottling Fee	10.00		
Sewer Service			
Tools and Equipment	14.10		
Pipes and Fittings	57.03		
Refuse and Garbage			
Trucks	348.31		
Maintenance Equipment	75.45		
Total Health and Sanitation	16,317.82		142
Highway Department			
Sale of Materials	\$43.54		
Plympton Street—State and County	3,115.63		
Total Highway Department			
Salary Superintendent	\$2,200.00		
Wages	16,146.81		
Street Lighting	6,000.00		
Equipment and Repairs	1,800.12		
Expenses			
Trucks	1,026.66		
Stone and Gravel	522.71		
Gas and Oil	1,397.84		
Tarvia and Road Oil	5,938.28		
Insurance	1,245.36		
Telephone	49.55		
Fuel	431.10		
All Other	269.40		
Street Signs	34.20		

Trucks	455.53		
Grain	495.62		
Insurance	255.54		
All Other	925.19		
Aid to Dependent Children	11,600.00		
Federal Grant A. D. C.	2,315.11		
Total Welfare Department			52,042.42
Old Age Assistance			
Salaries			
Agent	\$900.00		
Investigator	800.00		
Clerk	312.00		
Office Expenses	135.46		
Expenses			
Cash Aid	112,281.54		
Office Expenses	324.94		
Cities and Towns	1,189.82		
Reimbursement	943.16		
Total Old Age Assistance			116,886.92
Soldiers Benefits			
Care of Soldiers Graves	\$86.00		
State Aid	590.00		
Military Aid	680.00		
Soldiers Relief			
Fuel	434.51		
Groceries and Provisions	1,404.82		
Rent	889.00		
Medicine and Medical Attce.	183.10		
Cash Aid	2,408.34		
Total Soldiers Benefits			6,675.77
Old Age Assistance			
Cities and Towns			
State	\$2,747.20		
Federal Grant	32,303.21		
Reimbursement	53,965.58		
Total Old Age Assistance	1,302.00		
Soldiers Benefits			
State Aid Reimbursements	\$390.00		
Military Aid Reimbursements	145.00		
Soldiers Burial	100.00		
Veterans Exemption	353.95		
Total Soldiers Benefits			
Old Age Assistance			
Salaries			
Agent	\$900.00		
Investigator	800.00		
Clerk	312.00		
Office Expenses	135.46		
Expenses			
Cash Aid	112,281.54		
Office Expenses	324.94		
Cities and Towns	1,189.82		
Reimbursement	943.16		
Total Old Age Assistance			116,886.92
Soldiers Benefits			
Care of Soldiers Graves	\$86.00		
State Aid	590.00		
Military Aid	680.00		
Soldiers Relief			
Fuel	434.51		
Groceries and Provisions	1,404.82		
Rent	889.00		
Medicine and Medical Attce.	183.10		
Cash Aid	2,408.34		
Total Soldiers Benefits			6,675.77

School Department

State Tuition	\$1,441.61
Other Tuition	20,828.94
Sale of Books and Supplies	9.85
Total School Department	22,280.40

Included in State Income Tax
is \$16,000.00 for Schools

School Department

Salaries	
Supt.	\$4,000.00
Attendance Officer	50.00
Census Enumerator	100.00
High School Clerk	624.00
Nurse	650.00
Physician	500.00
Teachers	92,725.55
Janitors	7,813.64
Employment Cards	75.00

Expenses

Printing, Stationery and Postage	274.37
Telephone	214.96
Insurance	2,242.79
All Other—Gen. Admin.	118.96
Books	2,491.39
Supplies	2,100.34
Tuition	893.66
Transportation	13,057.20
Fuel—Light—Water	5,030.77
Mtce. Buildings and Grounds	2,355.89
All Other	103.88

Union Street School

112,902.29

Total School Department

248,324.69

Library Department

Fines	\$371.45
All Other (incl. sale of history)	30.25
Total Library	401.70

Library Department

Salaries	
Librarian	\$1,400.00
Assistants	2,066.00
Janitor	598.00
Vacations	20.00

Expenses			
Fuel			342.35
Light			148.21
Building			215.85
Furniture and Furnishings			25.05
Insurance			430.75
Sta. Printing and Postage			150.47
All Other			125.87
Total Library			5,522.55
		Unclassified	
American Legion	\$198.80		
G. A. R. Memo. Day	149.97		
Vet. Foreign Wars	200.00		
Old Fire Sta.	15.28		
Herring Run	5.89		
Town Forests	24.87		
Christmas Lighting	100.00		
Insurance Field House	22.32		
Playground Supervision	387.00		
Aid to Agriculture	200.00		
Plympton St. Land Damages	860.85		
M. L. H. P. Luxury Fund	110.47		
Sewerage Disposal Committee	12.25		
Police Sta. and Court House	169.66		
Brook St. Lot	275.00		
Tailings Account	.55		
W. P. A.	27,360.45		
Total Unclassified			30,093.36
		Unclassified	
Lease of Land	\$2.00		
Dental Clinic Donation	5.00		
Playground Fees	202.25		
Herring Run	300.00		
Total Unclassified	509.25		
			146

Water Department		Water Department	
Metered Rates		Salaries	
Broken Hydrant	\$22,838.78	Clerk	\$445.25
Interest and Repairs	67.72	P. S. Engineer	1,820.00
Service Connections	2,683.07	Asst. Engineers	2,197.00
Claims	174.44	Meter Man	1,380.60
Liens	13.23	Foreman	1,627.60
New Meters	23.32	Wages	2,082.99
Total Water Department	65.00	Equipment	603.04
		Construction	
		Pipe and Fittings	3.50
		Interest on Notes	610.00
		Notes	4,000.00
		Expenses	
		Administration	
		Stationery and Postage	49.54
		Printing and Advertising	14.60
		Telephone	118.38
		Insurance	536.32
		General	
		Trucks	112.90
		Pipe and Fittings	438.25
		All Other	35.67
		Pumping Station	
		Coal and Power	4,128.82
		Repairs Building	59.71
		Filters	1,919.94
		All Other—Rep. Turbine	53.74
		Sand Filter Unit	18,847.69
		Total Water Department	41,085.54

Interest Municipal Indebtedness		Interest Municipal Indebtedness	
On Taxes	\$3,959.15	Police Station and Court House	\$561.37
Accrued Interest	2.92	High School	1,800.00
Trust Funds		Union Street School	577.50
Enoch Pratt Fund	441.70	Green Water Ext.	122.50
M. L. H. P. Luxury Fund	94.88	Peirce St. Water Mains	45.00
M. L. H. P. Drinking Fountain Fund	138.13	Temporary Loan	310.53
Total Interest Municipal Indebtedness		Total Int. Mun. Indebtedness	3,416.90
Municipal Indebtedness		Municipal Indebtedness	
Temporary Loan		Police Station and Court House	\$3,600.00
Anticipation Revenue	\$225,000.00	High School	10,000.00
W. P. A. Federal Grant	10,000.00	Union Street School	4,000.00
General Loans		Green Water Ext.	3,000.00
Union Street School	25,000.00	Peirce Street Water Mains	1,000.00
Sand Filter Unit	8,000.00	Temporary Loan Anticipation of Revenue	125,000.00
Total Municipal Indebtedness	268,000.00	Total Mun. Indebtedness	146,600.00
			148
Electric Light Department		Electric Light Department	
Sale of Electricity		Administration	
Lighting	\$106,632.00	Manager	\$2,920.81
Power	19,756.45	Clerks	3,483.98
Street Lighting	6,000.00	Other Employees	224.07
Christmas Lighting	300.00	Office Supplies	131.86
Miscellaneous		Sta. and Postage	649.58
Jobbing	581.58	Printing and Advertising	224.51
Deposits	1,227.00	Transportation	1,324.69
Bad Debts	45.26	Telephone	113.08
Refunds	28.18	Stations	
All Other	1.95	Testing Meters	37.45
Total Electric Light Department	134,572.42	Other Employees	5,031.80
		Repairs to Plant	75.48
		Repairs to Real Estate	348.97

Office Supplies	66.21
Sta. and Postage	324.80
Printing and Advertising	111.89
Transportation	182.06
Telephone	56.52

Stations

Other Employees	1,845.00
Repairs Plant and R. Est.	11.12
Fuel	210.00
All Other	56.11

General

Mains Services	1,190.54
Meters	791.03
Mtce. Tools Equip.	74.30
Appliances	301.66
Reading Meters	652.51
Insurance	181.87
Jobbing Labor	52.59
Purchase of Energy	22,005.46

Construction

Installing Meters	12.80
Street Mains	2,585.78
Meters	6.55
Services	722.56

Total Gas Department

34,124.55

Gas and Electric Guarantee Deposits

Deposits Returned	\$871.24
Mtce. Fire Alarm System	96.91
Total Deposits and Alarm System	968.15

Agency and Trust		Agency and Trust	
Taxes collected for State, County and Non-Resident bank taxes are included in general tax receipts.	Trust	Trust	
	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Cemetery Perpetual Care	
		Income	\$1,461.70
		Bequests	1,750.00
		Dog License Fund	1,772.00
Total Agency and Trust		Agency	25,394.24
		State Taxes	16,743.91
		County Tax	
Care of Endowed Lots		Total Agency and Trust	47,121.85
Total Cemeteries			
Refunds		Refunds	
Real Estate Taxes		Real Estate Taxes	\$39.88
Excise Taxes		Excise Taxes	348.38
Public Service Enterprise		Public Service Enterprise	27.14
Estimated Receipts--Excise Demands		Est. Receipts Excise Demands	5.68
Departmental		Departmental	1,449.23
Agency and Trust		Agency and Trust	143.31
Total Refunds	2,013.62	Total Refunds	2,013.62
Total Receipts		Total Disbursements	\$1,030,266.84
Cash Balance January 1, 1938		Cash Balance Dec. 31st, 1938	
Non-Revenue	\$57,367.43	Non-Revenue	\$26,091.03
Revenue	39,953.54	Revenue	124,631.02
	97,320.97		150,722.05
	\$1,180,988.89		\$1,180,988.89

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1938

REVENUE ACCOUNT

ASSETS

Revenue Cash	
Petty Cash—Town Clerk	
Accounts Receivable	
Tax Levy—1937 Real Estate	
1937 Polls	
1936 Excise	
1937 Excise	
1938 Polls	
1938 Excise	
1938 Real Estate	
Tax Possessions	
Tax Titles	
Police Department	
Forest Fires	
Moth Department	
Health Department	
Sewer Department	
Highway Department	
Highway County Aid	
Highway State Aid	
Tree Warden	
Welfare	
Old Age	
Schools	
Mun. L. Dept.	
Water Dept.	
Water Liens	
State Tax	

LIABILITIES

Tax Titles—Interest and Cost	\$213.42
Tax Titles—Redemption Profit	24.15
Revenue Loan	100,000.00
Hospital Care War Vets—State Tax	10.00
Dog License Fund	36.60
Tailings Account	68.85
Mun. L. Operation	7,726.16
Mun. L. Construction	2,761.18
Mun. L. Depreciation	1,000.00
Mun. L. Deposits	1,769.02
M. L. P. Underground Elec.	4.26
Overlay 1937	905.34
Overlay 1938	6,433.20
Surplus Overlay	245.84
Departmental Revenue	5,272.50
Mun. L. Revenue	8,031.83
Water Revenue	1,234.05
Excise Revenue	455.26
Tax Title Revenue	4,144.85
Petty Cash Reserve	5.00
Excess and Deficiency	100,907.77
Re-Shingling Town House Roof	7.65
Police Cruising Car	68.01
Special Storm Damage	927.92
Clara St.	17.12
Baseball Field	15.11
Everett St. Sidewalk	98.10
Plympton St.	9,978.64

County Tax
State Park and Reservation Tax
Overlay Deficit 1936
Deficit Soldiers Benefits

32.49
29.87
776.41
173.13

Highway Fund Chap. 500 Acts 1938
Old Age Admin. Fed. Grant
Old Age Exp. Fed Grant
A. D. C. Fed. Grant
M. L. H. P. Luxury Fund
Plympton St. Land Damages
Investigation Sewerage Disposal
Dental Clinic Donation
Town House Lawn
Steps and Canopy
W. P. A. Account
Premium on Notes

5,000.00
5.45
322.36
685.92
18.27
61.75
1,987.75
5.64
15.27
240.37
3,819.64
29.98

\$264,554.23

\$264,554.23

NON-REVENUE ACCOUNT

Non-Revenue Cash
Grant Authorized

\$26,091.03
5,622.45

Pumping Unit
Peirce St. Water Mains
Union St. School
Sand Filter Unit
High Tension Elec. Line

\$44.28
106.31
8,895.17
975.03
21,692.69

\$31,713.48

\$31,713.48

DEBT ACCOUNT—DECEMBER 31, 1938

Net Funded or Fixed Debt

\$125,150.00

Water Loan
High School Loan
Green Water Ext. Loan
Peirce St. Water Main Loan
Police Sta. and Court House
Mun. Building Loan

\$7,000.00
40,000.00
2,000.00
1,000.00
19,500.00
4,650.00

Union St. School Loan	29,000.00
Sand Filter Unit Loan	6,000.00
Underground Storage Tank Loan	6,000.00
Federal Emergency Relief Loan	10,000.00
	\$125,150.00

TRUST FUNDS—DECEMBER 31, 1938

Trust and Investment Funds
Cash and Securities
In Custody of Town Treasurer
In Custody of Library Trustees
In Custody of Peirce Trustees
In Custody of Drkg. Ftn. Trustees
Investment Account Securities

\$79,131.36
4,854.26
608,335.14
4,021.38
4,000.00
\$700,342.14

Enoch Pratt Fund	\$10,668.75
M. L. H. P. Luxury Fund	3,798.74
M. L. H. P. Drinking Fountain Fund	4,021.38
Copeland Library Fund	3,200.00
Harriet Beal Library Fund	1,000.00
Harriet C. Peirce Library Fund	500.00
Thomas S. Peirce Fund	555,423.16
Library Trust Fund Income Acct.	154.26
Thomas S. Peirce Library Fund	52,911.98
Cemetery Perpetual Care—Income	10,868.35
Cemetery Perpetual Care—Principal	53,795.52
Water Sinking Fund Bonds	4,000.00
	\$700,342.14

Respectfully submitted,

WALDO S. THOMAS,
Town Accountant.

REPORT OF THE GAS AND ELECTRIC DEPT.

To the Town Manager,
Town of Middleboro.

Dear Sir:

I am submitting the forty-fifth report of the Gas and Electric Department for the year ending December 31, 1938.

This report includes operation accounts, revenues, Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss Sheet, in the same form as in the Report to the Public Utilities, together with Statement of Accounts.

Gas

Continuing the program started last year of removing and testing all gas meters, there were removed for test, 235 meters. Of these, 142 were returned to factory for repairs and adjustments. The balance having proved to be within the allowed 2%, were returned to service.

This in a measure is reflected in the 3.7% less gas unaccounted for in 1938 over 1937. This program will be continued until all gas meters have been tested once in 7 years as required by an Act of the Legislature in 1936.

Results have justified the extension of gas main one and one-tenth mile to the Rotary Mill and Bedford St., as the consumption of the Rotary Mill alone has been 1,029,000 cu. ft. since May. The income has materially aided the increased profit shown by the Gas Department.

Gas Purchased	29,218,000 cu. ft.
Increase over 1937	832,800 cu. ft.
Gas sold	25,076,700 cu. ft.
Increase over 1937	1,746,600 cu. ft.
Paid Taunton Gas Co.	\$22,005.46
Average cost per M	.753
Average cost per M in holder	.826
Average cost per M sold	1.44
Average received per M sold	1.48
Average consumption per consumer	22,000 cu. ft.
Miles of Main	28.4
Consumers per mile of Main	40
Cu. ft. sold per mile of Main	883,000
Average B. T. U.	535
New Services	13
New Mains	1.1 miles

Electric

From the following data the growth of the plant in five years with the resultant decrease in cost of current, can be seen.

Year	K.W.H. Purchased	Increase	Ave. Paid K.W.H.
1934	2,946,310	291,310	.0140
1935	3,190,440	244,130	.0137
1936	3,684,900	494,460	.0130
1937	4,233,380	548,480	.0128
1938	4,391,650	158,270	.0125

An unforeseen emergency arose when the September hurricane took place and cost the department approximately \$5,000.00.

Sixteen new street lights have been added on Plymouth St. from Everett to Titicut St. operated from a pole type tub transformer on Oak St.

Extensions to system have been made as follows:

To Long Pond from Lakeside Avenue .5 mile

Fuller Street .3 mile

East and Beach Street 1.2 miles.

The extensions under consideration but no progress made, are the one to Woods Pond and the direct line to pumping station.

Active work on the 9 miles of new high tension line to Tremont was begun on November 16, and the rights of way will be completely cleared by the end of the first week in January next, ready for the construction of new line. The contract for building the line has been let and work is to be commenced the latter part of January, after approval of P.W.A. authorities.

The cables in the new underground system from Oak St. to Everett Square have been put in service, together with 3 underground transformers at Everett Square.

In the new underground conduits on Wareham St. to Clifford St., approximately 36,000 feet of lead covered cable have been pulled in and connected. All underground circuits going out from Electric Station to Wareham St. are now working.

Nine new white way lamps of 600 candle power have been installed between Clifford St. and the river bridge, replacing equal number of 60 candle power on old overhead system.

On all circuits the size of conductor has been greatly increased, some of the larger conductors extending as far as Oak St. and all as far as four corners.

All four original underground transformers are now connected in what is known as net work system which together with larger conductors will give much better service in the business district.

The value of underground systems can readily be appreciated from the fact that the only part of our entire system that could function when the high tension line came on at 11:30 the night of the hurricane, was the four circuits that were wholly underground, for after the high tension came back at 11:30 all lights, power, and white way street lighting on Wareham, Centre, North and South Main Sts., as far as underground system extends, were available.

This is the best evidence why further extension of the underground system should be made when financial conditions permit. Monies expended for this purpose give greater returns in continuity of and better service, thereby creating good will and a more friendly feeling toward the department, as well as the added advantages of safety and economy.

Total K.W.H. purchased	4,391,650
Increase over 1937	158,270
Paid Plymouth Electric Co.	\$55,119.88
Average paid per K.W.H.	.0125
Average production cost at Board ...	.0139
Average production cost as per State Requirements ..	.0145
Average cost purchased and distributed ..	.023
Average received per K.W. sold for all classes of service ..	.039
Average cost per K.W. sold ..	.03
K.W.H. used for Street Lights ..	200,639
Average cost to town per K.W.H. for street lights ...	.0299

Manufacturing profit carried to Profit and Loss	\$30,553.22
Increase	\$16,593.16
Maximum K.W. Demand	1296
Maximum K.V.A. Demand	1440
Average Power Factor for year	84.2
Maximum Power Factor	90.0

Gas and Electric Department

TOTAL SALES

	1937	1938	Increase	Decrease
Gas	\$36,861.72	\$39,268.78	\$2,407.06	
Lighting	110,613.11	116,918.75	6,305.64	
Power	23,806.90	20,346.01		3,460.89
Jobbing	656.65	618.39		38.26
	<u>\$171,938.38</u>	<u>\$177,151.93</u>	<u>\$8,712.70</u>	<u>\$3,499.15</u>

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Which include December Sales (January bills)

Gas	\$4,948.43
Light	17,549.71
Power	2,204.48
Jobbing	111.26
	<u>\$24,813.88</u>

CONSUMERS

January 1, 1939

Gas	20
Electric	2247
Gas and Electric	1121
	<u>3388</u>

METERS INSTALLED

January 1, 1939

Gas	1341
Electric	3664
	<u>5005</u>

Street Lights—1938

	Total No. nights run	Total No. hours	Ave. No. nights per mo.	Ave. No. hours per night
All night service	365	4064	30	11 h. 8 m.
Part night service	353	2306	29	6 h. 33 m.
So Middleboro, Rock and No.				
Middleboro Service	353	2311	29	6 h. 35 m.
K. W. H. Purchased				4,391,650
Total K. W. H. used for Street Lights				200,639

1938 Operating Expenses—Gas

PRODUCTION

Operation:

Wages at Gas Plant	\$1,845.00
Boiler Fuel	232.75
Water	1.33
Water Gas Oil and Enrichers	1.00
Miscellaneous Expense	53.78

\$2,133.86

Maintenance:

Maintenance Power Plant Equipment	\$9.23
Maintenance Other Equipment at Works	2.60
Gas Purchased	22,005.46

\$22,017.29

TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION

Operation:

Removing and Resetting Meters	\$126.35
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\$126.35

Maintenance:

Maintenance Street Mains	\$72.60
Maintenance Services	1,117.94
Maintenance Consumers' Meters	664.68
Maintenance Tools and Appliances	95.62
Maintenance Works and Station Structures	1.29

\$1,952.13

GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

Salary of Manager	\$829.19
Salaries, General Office Clerks, Meter Readers and Collectors	2,506.51
General Office Supplies and Expense	611.32
Insurance	181.87
Transportation Expense	182.06
Depreciation	5,681.94

\$9,992.89

Total Expense

\$36,222.52

Balance to Profit and Loss (Profit)

1,064.95

Total Debits

\$37,287.47

INCOME-GAS

From sales of Gas	\$39,268.78
Less Discounts, Rebates, etc.	1,981.31
Total Credits	

\$37,287.47

1938 Operating Expenses—Electric

HYDRO-ELECTRIC GENERATION

Operation:

Electric Labor	\$5,031.80
Lubricants	5.00
Station Supplies and Expense	147.58

\$5,184.38

Maintenance:

Maintenance Dams and Intakes	\$32.20	
Maintenance Electric Generating Equipment	.44	
Maintenance Station Structures	377.47	
Electric Energy Purchased	55,119.88	
Maintenance of Accessory Equipment	97.84	
		55,627.83

TRANSMISSION, DISTRIBUTION AND STORAGE

Operation:

Transmission and Distribution—		
Supplies and Expense	\$28.60	
Inspecting and Testing Meters	37.45	
Removing and Resetting Meters	200.65	
		266.70

Maintenance:

Maintenance Transmission and Distribution Lines	\$10,892.96	
Maintenance Consumers' Meters	393.27	
Maintenance Underground Conductors	34.71	
Maintenance Transformers	359.01	
		11,679.95

UTILIZATION

Operation:

Municipal Street Lamps, Supplies and Expense ..	\$992.09	992.09
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GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

Salary of Manager	\$2,920.81	
Salaries of General Office Clerks, Meter Readers and Collectors	5,031.82	
General Office Supplies and Expense	1,223.03	
Insurance	594.60	
Transportation Expenses	1,274.69	
Miscellaneous General Expense	26.73	
Depreciation	17,520.28	
		28,591.96
		\$102,342.91
Balance to Profit and Loss (Profit)		30,533.22
Total Debits		\$132,876.13

INCOME—ELECTRIC

From Lighting	\$122,918.75	
From Power	20,346.01	
		\$143,264.76
Less Discounts, Rebates, etc.	10,388.63	
Total Credits		\$132,876.13

Balance Sheet

ASSETS

INVESTMENTS—GAS

Land	\$1,200.00
Structures	1,730.20
Boiler Plant Equipment	754.80
Miscellaneous Power Plant Equipment	308.02
Water Gas Sets	2,157.77
Purification Apparatus	147.73
Other Equipment at Works	6,319.22
Consumers' Meters	7,613.65
Office Equipment	547.15
Laboratory Equipment	350.00
Gas Services	19,906.00
Street Mains	90,349.09
Consumers' Meter Installations	1,864.04
High Pressure Gas Line	9,356.28
High Pressure Services	16.06

INVESTMENTS—ELECTRIC

Land	\$6,000.00
Rights of Way	2,837.75
Rights of Way—Brockton High Tension	3,813.70
Structures	2,380.28
Reservoirs, Dams, Canals and Waterways	5,868.53
Water Turbines and Water Wheels	1,568.97
Electric Plant, Hydro	3,666.26
Miscellaneous Power Plant Equipment, Hydro	1,052.56
Transformer Station and Substation Equipment	5,651.67
Transformer Installations	419.13
Street Lighting Equipment	9,890.11
Office Equipment	2,269.30
Underground Conduits	43,006.70
Underground Conductors	38,691.27
Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Conductors	101,867.30
High Tension Extension	16,413.51
Consumers' Meter Installations	7,996.36
Consumers' Meters	26,283.82
Line Transformers	36,085.66
New High Tension Line Project	28,000.00
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash on hand	\$7,726.16
Accounts Receivable	24,813.88
Federal Tax Bills Receivable	2.12
Inventory	9,687.49
RESERVE FUNDS:	
Depreciation Fund	\$1,000.00
Construction Fund	2,761.18
Special Construction Fund	4.26
Special Deposits Fund	1,769.02

LIABILITIES

Loan Repayments	\$162,200.00
Appropriations for Construction Repayments	45,992.39
Consumers' Deposits	1,769.02

Federal Tax Income less rebates	1.52	
Profit and Loss Balance	324,184.07	
	\$534,147.00	\$534,147.00

Plant Investment (Book Value)

Gas	\$142,620.01
Electric	343,762.88

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

By balance at beginning of year.....		\$297,222.92
By balance Gas Operating Expense		1,064.95
By balance Electric Operating Expense		30,533.22
To gift to Town	\$2,000.00	
To transfer to Town Special Fund	2,000.00	
To Municipal Signal System	96.91	
To balance Jobbing Account	540.11	
To balance account	324,184.07	
	\$328,821.09	\$328,821.09

Construction Drafts—1938

GAS

Expended for:

Street Mains	\$2,585.78	
Gas Services	722.56	
Consumers' Meters	6.55	
Consumers' Meter Installations	12.80	
	\$3,327.69	
Less Refund	.90	\$3,326.79

ELECTRIC

Expended for:

Electric Plant, Hydro	\$407.30	
Poles, Fixtures, and Overhead Conductors	11,079.89	
High Tension Line Project	28,000.00	
Underground Conduits	448.55	
Underground Conduits Special	925.16	
Underground Conductors	2,794.41	
Underground Conductors Special	17,510.05	
Consumers' Meters	1,256.65	
Consumers' Meter Installations	342.88	
Line Transformers	2,595.65	
Street Lighting Equipment	3.60	
	\$65,364.14	
Less Refund	6.18	65,357.96
Net Expenditures		\$68,684.75

Statement of Accounts

DEPRECIATION FUND

1938					
Jan. 1	Balance in Town Treasury	\$15,878.04	Dec. 31	Transferred to Construction Fund	\$38,080.26
Dec. 31	Transferred from Operating Fund	23,202.22		Balance in Town Treasury	1,000.00
		\$39,080.26			\$39,080.26

CONSTRUCTION FUND

Jan. 1	Balance in Town Treasury	\$7,372.75	Dec. 31 Payments Bal. in Town Treasury	\$68,691.83
Dec. 31	Transferred from Depreciation Fund	\$38,080.26		2,761.18
	Transferred from Operating Fund	26,000.00		
		\$71,453.01		\$71,453.01

SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION FUND

Jan. 1	Balance in Town Treasury	\$4.26	Dec. 31 Bal. in Town Treasury	\$4.26
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OPERATING FUND

Jan. 1	Balance in Town Treasury	\$7,763.29	Dec. 31 Transferred to Midd. Reserve Fund	\$2,000.00
Dec. 31	Collections	171,078.94	Transferred to Depreciation Fund	23,202.22
			Transferred to Construction Fund	26,000.00
			Transferred to Special Town Fund	2,000.00
			Payments	117,913.85
			Bal. in Town Treasury	7,726.16
		\$178,842.23		\$178,842.23

DEPOSITS FUND

Jan. 1	Balance in Town Treasury	\$1,413.26	Dec. 31 Payments Balance in Town Treasury	\$871.24
Dec. 31	Collections	1,227.00		1,769.02
		\$2,640.26		\$2,640.26

Transferred from Earnings for Benefit of Town

To Middleboro Reserve Fund	\$2,000.00
To Special Town Fund for investigating Sewerage Disposal	2,000.00

SUMMARY

Balance in Depreciation Fund	\$1,000.00
Balance in Construction Fund	2,761.18
Balance in Special Construction Fund	4.26
Balance in Operating Fund	7,726.16
Balance in Deposits Fund	1,769.02

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PHILBROOK,
Manager.

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